

DATE: December 31, 1958

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: W. D. McKee, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CASE # 47314-A

At approximately 9:45 AM., December 30, 1958 Agent Kappel interviewed a W/M, Roger E. King, at that time in the County Jail for suspicion of Breaking and Entering and Vagrancy.

King stated his name, and April 17, 1922 as his date of birth, but refused to give his place of birth.

King further stated he was an American citizen and honorably discharged from the United States Army, where he served in the Infantry and Railroad Transportation Units.

Subject refused to answer questions pertaining to family, friends, addresses (past or present).

He also stated he has no previous arrest record.

King also stated he has spent considerable time in Cuba, having made a couple of trips there. The last trip was via Q-Airlines leaving Key West, Florida December 21, 1958 and returning to Key West December 26, 1958. On the last trip the subject was accompanied by a W/M, William P. O'Brien. O'Brien was apprehended with King at 1:20 AM., December 30, 1958 on suspicion of Breaking and Entering and Vagrancy.

King refused to answer when asked questions reference to the Cuban Revolution. He stated he wouldn't talk because he valued his life. King said he had been a close friend of O'Brien for ten or more years.

When asked if he (King) could fly and airplane, he answered no, stating he was a machinest by trade.

At approximately 10:45 AM., this same date, Agent Kappel interviewed the above mentioned subject; William P. O'Brien.

O'Brien stated he was born November 11, 1923 but he couldn't remember where, and refused to answer when asked about his family and past.

Subject could give no local address, stating the last place he had stayed was 411 San Megile Havana, Cuba.

O'Brien denied any previous arrests and stated he had served no time in the Armed Services.

O'Brien confirmed King's story of their last trip to Cuba, however he (O'Brien) said that was his first trip to Cuba.

O'Brien further stated the trip was a business venture, that they (O'Brien and King) had an interest in the Cuban Revolution, and that they were pro-Castro.

O'Brien then refused to answer any more questions, stating he has knowledge of Revolutionaly activities, but he wouldn't tell if someone were to beat him in the head with a baseball bat.

O'Brien admitted he had the ability to fly a small airplane, even though he had on licenses.

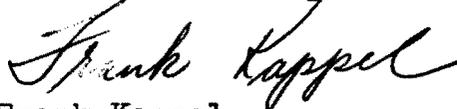
O'Brien was then asked what his interest was in the Revolution and he stated, monetary; He was then asked his reason for having no maney at the time of his arrest, having just returned from Cuba. To this he asked, "Are you paid in advance?"

FBI, Immigration Department and Customs Agents advised, they stated they were interested, but did not wish to place holds on either subjects. Copies of this report sent to these Departments.

Respectfully submitted,



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