

DATE: July 6, 1959

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: Frank Kappel, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS

At approximately 4:00 AM, 6/30/59, KAPPEL received a phone call from officer CLARK of Traffic and Patrol Division.

Officer CLARK stated that while on routine patrol in zone car 613 he and his partner, officer McGANN had observed a vehicle cruising slowly in the area of N.W. 168th Street and 38th Court. Upon stopping the car, the driver (lone occupant) was identified as ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS. MASFERRER had no valid state drivers license and was arrested and booked at Station #1. (Copy of officer's report attached.)

MASFERRER stated he had just left his "friends" house and was attempting to go home. The "friend" being RICHARD JAFFE of 2030 N.W. 175 Street whose car MASFERRER was driving. Vehicle being a '57 Oldsmobile four door, 1959 Florida license tag #1N-116719.

The trunk of the car contained eight bundles of the newspaper "Tribuna".

No hold was requested placed on subject by KAPPEL for the lack of a legitimate reason.

At approximately 8:30 AM, 6/30/59 KAPPEL received information of an arms seizure by Broward Sheriff's Office early this A.M. at North Perry Airfield in Southwest Broward County.

KAPPEL placed a call to Chief Investigator BEN GRIGSBY of the Broward Sheriff's office who stated their Department had captured three men loading arms at North Perry Airfield at approximately 2:30 AM, 6/30/59. GRIGSBY stated actually four men were present but the fourth managed to successfully flee from the scene.

The airplane involved is owned by Torch Investments; RICHARD JAFFE President.

The subjects arrested were; ROBERT JOHN DAUT, 38 years, 1570 N.W. 120th Street; CARLOS MANUEL ZOYAS, 30 years, 415 S.W. 5th Street; and JOSE CARBONELL PERES MARRERO aka JOSE CARBONELLA 51 years, 3614 N.W. 12th Terrace.

JOSEPH A. FORTIER, U. S. Supervisor of Customs Agents was advised of the MASFERRER incident and appeared interested in the close proximity, both in time and location of the two incidents.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Kappel". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Frank Kappel, Supervisor
Criminal Intelligence

MEMORANDUM

Case # 29

TO Intelligence Division
Attn: Sgt. Kappel

DATE 30 June 1959

SUBJECT Information

FROM Offs: W. McCann & C.T. Clark

The following is submitted for your information as requested.

While on routine patrol, the officers submitting this report observed a 1957 Olds 4 dr bearing 59 Fla 1W116719 proceeding west on NW 168 St from NW 37 Ave at approx. 3:40AM, this date. We followed this vehicle, traveling at a very slow rate of speed, which made a U turn at NW 169 St and 38 Ave. We made the U turn after the subject vehicle and pulled in behind it. The vehicle pulled away from us at NW 37 Ave and 168 St and made a quick right turn off 37 Ave east bound on NW 170 St. In an obvious attempt to lose us the vehicle made numerous turns, disregarding stop signs, cutting corners and using all the road in an effort to keep us from pulling along side. We were using an unmarked 57 Ford and when we applied the siren the vehicle immediately pulled-up and stopped at NW 38th and 168 St.

The occupant of the vehicle identified himself as Rolando Masferrer-Rojas, 1105 SW 2 Ave, a Cuban in Miami on Political Asylum. The subject had no driver's lic. and the vehicle, owned by Richard A. Jaffe, 2030 NW 175 St, NA 4-1722, had no inspection sticker. Investigation the contents of the vehicle we found a .45 Cal. Colt automatic, match model, Ser.#2718NM (loaded) on the front floor-board; drivers side. Also in the vehicle were numerous letters, papers and misc correspondence bearing the name of Richard A. Jaffe. The trunk of the vehicle contained eight (8) bundles of Spanish newspapers (approx. 150 copies per bundle). A copy of these newspapers (Tribuna) is accompanying this report along with another newspaper (La Lucha) found in the vehicle.

We took the subject (Masferrer) and the vehicle to Station #1 after arresting him for No State Driver Lic. and No Valid Inspection Sticker. While at Station #1 Masferrer showed us a document stating he was a member of anti-communist organization to rid Cuba of Communist.

We called Richard Jaffe and advised him he could pick up his car at Station #1. We released the vehicle and the weapon to Jaffe. Jaffe stated the weapon was his possession and he used it as a target weapon when he fires at the Overpass Range on NW 103 St.

Mr. Edward Brown, attorney for Rolando Masferrer arrived at Station #1 and posted bond for the No Driver Lic charge.

Jaffe requested that we maintain silence concerning this affair and that our discretion that no further action or follow-up would be appreciated.

MEMORANDUM

TO Intelligence Division
Attn: Sgt Kappel

FROM Offs: W.McCann & C.T.Clark

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Masferrer's attitude was one of calmness, cooperative and politeness. He stated that his actions in the attempt to elude us was due to his unawareness that we were Police Officers and his fear that we were followers of the government now in power in Cuba. He stated he was on his way home from Jaffe's residence and lost his way trying to find NW 27 Ave when we first observed him.

Masferrer left Station #1 with Jaffe and Brown at approx. 6 AM this date.

W. McCann and C.T.Clark
Dade County Public Safety Dept.
Patrol and Traffic Division.

Incl: 1 copy (Tribuna)
1 copy (LaLucha)

29946-B NSDL ARREST 5-05AM 6-30-59

SUBJ ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS CUBAN/M-41 1105 SW 2ND AVE.
SUBJ ARRESTED AT NW 38TH COURT & 168TH ST.

OFCRS OF THIS UNIT OBSERVED SUBJ IN VINXXX VICINITY OF ABOVE QTH,
DRVG IN SUSP MANNER. STOPPED SAME & ASKED FOR DRIVERS LICENSE.
SUBJ STATED HE HAD NONE. TAKEN TO STA-1 BY ARRESTING OFCRS.

MC CANN & CLARK 613
OPR JOHNSON 5-32AM
6-30-59

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