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Arms Cache Seized At NW House

Machine guns, mortars, "burp" guns, carbines and more than 10,000 rounds of ammunition believed destined for Nicaraguan rebels were in the hands of Metro investigators today.

The investigators seized the cache of arms late yesterday in a garage adjoining a frame dwelling at 1952 NW 6th St.

The six .50 caliber machine guns and 14 other weapons appeared fairly new. The ammunition, which bore an address in Managua, Nicaragua, according to Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly, was stored under the house and was brought out through an aperture between the garage and house at ground level.

Kelly said the arms were stored by the same group involved in the hijacking of \$60,000 in arms a month ago in Miami.

The investigators arrested the occupant of the house, Mario Cano, 53; his wife, Irene, and her sister, Alejandrina Gancedo. They were held for federal authorities.

Cano showed a piece of paper bearing what he said was the name of an FBI agent whom he claimed to have called two weeks ago to tell him about the arms in the garage. He said he rented the garage to a man named Mario Alfario.

Somoza

Nicaragua Exiles Open Big Bond Drive in Cuba

By JOHN McDERMOTT
Herald Staff Writer

A Nicaraguan "government-in-exile" has launched a big bond selling drive in Cuba aimed at supporting efforts to overthrow the government of Dictator-President Luis Somoza in Central America.

The drive has the apparent blessing of Premier Fidel Castro's Cuban government because the bonds are being sold openly by Cuban labor unions.

Indications also are that it is being pushed by the Communist underground as part of an overall campaign to spread unrest and trouble in the Western Hemisphere.

Leaders of the Nicaraguan "government-in-exile" claim the monies raised in Cuba will only be used for "medical aid."

Presumably, this would be to care for casualties in a rebel attack on Somoza's headquarters at Managua.

The exiled government in Havana is under the direction of Dr. Francisco Ibarra, a former Nicaraguan newspaperman.

He operates as part of the Fourth of April Nicaraguan Revolutionary Movement with offices in Havana's Sevilla-Biltmore Hotel.

Carl John Wilson, described as a former British newsman, is running the Anglo-American Medical Aid Committee which is directing the bond drive.

Bonds are sold in denominations of 25 cents, 50 cents, one dollar and five dollars.

Some Havana workers report they are being "urged" by their union bosses to buy the revolutionary bonds. The bonds first appeared about two weeks ago.

Havana has a sizable colony of Nicaraguan exiles.



This Bond Is Being Sold in Cuba



Reverse Side of the Bond

Held on Invasion Plot Charge

Ex-Taxi Driver Here Released by Cubans

By **JAMES BUCHANAN**
Herald Staff Writer

A one-time Miami cab driver was released from a Cuban jail Wednesday after a three-week imprisonment on charges of plotting a Nicaraguan invasion.

Efren R. Pichardo, 38, was named Wednesday along with 10 other civilians and seven military men who were arrested June 29. It was the first time the Havana government had released names of the alleged plotters.

Only hours after the announcement, Cuban officials said two Americans in the group had been released. The other American was Paul Hughes, a former U.S. Naval pilot of Atlanta, Ga.

Miami police records show Pichardo, who claims to be an attorney, worked for a cab company here from 1955 until 1958.

A Cuban by birth, he lived in Miami for 18 years before becoming involved in the turbulent Caribbean situation. He was arrested in 1953 and twice in 1954 for conspiracy to export arms illegally and conspiracy to violate the neutrality act.

No convictions show on the Miami police records, since the charges are a federal matter.

The latest Miami city directory gives Pichardo's address as 57 SW 11th St., and gives his wife's name as Carmen Pichardo.

Also arrested was Joseph Bardor of Los Angeles, who said he was a motion picture producer.

Another non-Cuban was Carl John Wilson, identified as a British freelance journalist.

DATE: June 10, 1959

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: Frank Kappel, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS

On June 2, 1959, MRS. FELICITA JOMP brought her daughter, ZULMA JOMP to the Detective Bureau to be interviewed. This was with reference to case #25150-B. The mother had reported her daughter kidnapped. ZULMA signed a statement stating she had gone to Havana Cuba voluntarily with RAFAEL CABRERA. After she signed the statement, she was taken to the Criminal Intelligence office to await transportation to her home. While waiting, she was re-interviewed by the writer. She was advised to cooperate with the Detective Bureau, stressing her allegiance to the United States. She was advised to contact CABRERA'S wife to verify the authenticity of CABRERA.

On June 3, 1959, ZULMA JOMP called the office stating her wish to cooperate. The writer and MISS LINDA CHALKER drove to 4431 S.W. 4th Street and picked up the young lady, bringing her to the Sheriff's Office. She agreed to answer any and all questions but refused to cooperate before a court reporter.

A representative of the U.S. Government, who requested that he remain anonymous for security reasons was invited to attend the interview.

MISS JOMP stated she took the writer's advice and contacted DOROTHY CABRERA, wife of RAFAEL CABRERA CHAMORRO of 1426 Barracoa Avenue, Coral Gables. As a result of this conversation, MISS JOMP stated she became disillusioned, and decided to cooperate with us, exposing CABRERA'S revolutionary activities.

Following is some of the information tendered us which is partially verified.

RAFAEL CABRERA CHAMORRO is presently at 2802-5 Avenue, Miramar, Marianao, Havana Cuba. He is nicknamed "PAYO". He was born in Nicaragua; schooled in Switzerland; attended Columbia University in the United States and was studying to be an architect.

CABRERA'S present address is known as "The House of the Nicaraguensis". It was given to the revolutionary Nicaraguans by FIDEL CASTRO, Prime Minister of Cuba. CASTRO took the house from an ex-Senator after BATISTA fled the Country.

CABRERA'S father is an extremely wealthy tobacco plantation owner, who pays tribute to the SOMOZA family to remain friendly. CABRERA is married to DOROTHY, an AMERICAN and has two children.

CABRERA went to Havana to join the plot to overthrow the recognized government of Nicaragua. He has been imprisoned and tortured by the Nicaraguan Government, and exiled. He has a price of \$10,000 on his head in Nicaragua.

CABRERA and MARIO ALFARO aka ALFONSO aka ALVAREZ rented the house at 2460 S.W. 16th Street where the arms were stored that FLOYD HOLZAPFEL was caught stealing.

MARIO ALFARO and HOLZAPFEL were very good friends. MARIO called him "LUCKY". MARIO gave him the key to the house where the arms were stored. MARIO left for Havana the night HOLZAPFEL was arrested. CABRERA told ZULMA that the guns seized in this case were given to the revolutionaries by FIDEL CASTRO. She saw these guns being boxed by CABRERA and ALFARO and others. Since his recent trip to this Country, FIDEL has not given guns and assistance to the Nicaraguensis.

ZULMA stated that she was employed as a cigarette girl at the Glover Club. Around New Years Eve she became friendly with CABRERA. He asked her to quit this job when he started dating her. Prior to ZULMA, he was dating a girl named "SANDY" who works at one of the night clubs. SANDY spent New Years night with CABRERA at his house while his wife was in the hospital.

CABRERA used to take ZULMA to the Patio Club. LOUIS at the Patio, and CABRERA used to hold lengthy conversations from which she was excluded. CABRERA owes a great deal of money at this place. He also owes \$500 to "WALLY" at the Glover Club where a man named SAM has recently invested money. "WALLY" and CABRERA were good friends.

CABRERA uses the name CONSTANTINO CABRERA when he corresponds with the revolutionists. He used the name RAFAEL JANNEL in Cuba and introduced ZULMA as ZULMA JANNEL, his wife.

She lived with him at the house of the Nicaraguensis in Havana. While they were together, CABRERA visited FIDEL CASTRO in an effort to obtain more help. FIDEL was giving them the house, maid service and armed guards. The house is worth about \$150,000. It has seven bedrooms upstairs and a large room downstairs in which a great number of revolutionaries slept. The CASTRO guards, known as "Barbudos" require all that enter the house to show identification. ZULMA was not required to show any since they knew her as RAFAEL'S wife.

MARIO ALFARO lives in this same house; also a Guatemalan Colonel and his wife. They are all waiting for Dr. ENRIQUE LACOYL FARFAN who is the leader of the Revolution. A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 6/4/59 in Havana Cuba. DR. FARFAN is now in Costa Rica. ZULMA describes him as extremely intelligent, well educated and a medical doctor who had a large practice. He had been jailed and tortured by the SOMOZANS.

While waiting for Dr. FARFAN to come to Havana she and CABRERA went all around Havana picking up guns and ammunition donated to them by sympathetic Cubans. Since FIDEL is not offering as much help as he used to, they do not press him. They hope he stays neutral now. There are two revolutionary movements. The first one that is now under way is communist. FIDEL CASTRO gave his assistance to this movement. When that first one was launched from Costa Rica, MARIO ALFERO received a telephone call (Saturday, May 30, 1959) which told him "The balloon has gone up.", all of the Nicaraguensis became extremely agitated when they heard this.

CABRERA is waiting for money from his mother who lives at the Ocean Spray Hotel at 43 and Collins, to enable him to travel to Costa Rica or Panama where this second movement will attack from. CABRERA was personally responsible for recruiting arms for this second movement. The seizure of the \$60,000 worth of arms by the Metropolitan Sheriff's Office hurt the cause very much. They are now desperate for arms.

A communist meeting was held in Mexico in May when Dr. FARFAN was there. A woman doctor that is a member of the party attended as leader of the party. CABRERA was invited to attend, but was too busy getting guns. The communists offered support in the way of arms and ammunition. DR. FARFAN rejected the offer. There are no more than one thousand men in Dr. FARFAN'S group in Havana and Costa Rica. One of their headquarters is the Caribbean Hotel, Prado 164, Havana. Another smaller headquarter is the Seville Biltmore in Havana. One of the leaders named Peter is in Room 770 at the Seville Biltmore. She and CABRERA visited him in this room. MARIO CALERO and MARIO ALFARO als visit him.

A group of fifteen young Nicaraguan students from New Orleans Louisiana drove to Miami to join the revolution. All of them are from wealthy Nicaraguan families. One of the boys named MANOLO had a nervous breakdown and was sent to Germany. They all took their meals at a Cuban military establishment just outside of Havana. Some of the group drove to Miami in a black 1950 Henry J. bearing 1959 Louisiana license number 135-007. The car was found abandoned in front of 1140 S.W. 10th Street, Miami Florida. CABRERA'S mother used to live at this address. Complaint Desk and Auto Theft was notified to tow in the car for examination; both advised calling City Police. They were notified and will impound the car.

The house at 2460 S.W. 16th Street from which HOLZAPFEL stole the guns was rented by MARIO ALFARO and CABRERA in the name of ROBERTO GARCIA. GARCIA is a medical doctor, 73 years old, has two children and is Cuban. GARCIA gave them the check for the rent. The arms stored here were originally stored in CABRERA'S house at 1426 Baracoa Avenue, Coral Gables. His wife, DOROTHY made them move the guns to the second location when she became fearful they would be caught with them.

MARIO ALFERO who was CABRERA'S partner in obtaining the guns for the revolution lived for a while at 337 Mendoza, Coral Gables. He rented a room here from MRS. DAVID TRAEGER. CABRERA picked up his mail 4/8/59 after he moved. CABRERA asked MRS. TRAEGER to call him at MO 5-2575 if there was any more mail. This is his wife's unlisted phone number. Agent EDMISTON of the F.B.I. visited MRS. TRAEGER on

3/24/59 with reference to ALFARO. ZULMA took the writer past this house in the event arms were stored here. There were none. The information in this paragraph was supplied by MRS. TRAEGER.

ZULMA also took us past a house at 1952 N.W. 6th Street. Agents CLODE, FOLLIARD and TARABOCHIA were assigned to investigate the possibility of arms being stored here. They found and seized arms and ammunition valued at approximately \$10,000. MARIO and IRENE CANO, and ALEJANDRINA GANCEDO were arrested. Detective STONE was called in to effect the arrest and seizure to cloak the identities of the Agents and to protect our source. See copy of Detective STONE'S report attached. ZULMA informed us that SOMOZA had spies following her.

ZULMA stated that CABRERA'S mother, LYDIA CHAMORRO de CABRERA was deeply involved in the revolution. Living next door to her is JORGE VIQUEZ. VIQUEZ is Bohemian and revolutionary. He is employed as a waiter. Both rooms were checked at the Ocean Spray with negative results.

She stated that while she and CABRERA lived in Havana she became good friends with MR. WILSON of British Intelligence

During this investigation, ZULMA'S mother received a telegram from CABRERA. See copy attached with interpretation of same.

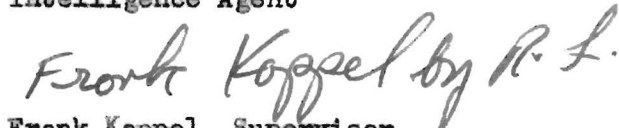
ZULMA called Havana to talk to CABRERA to clear up several open questions. She was unable to make contact with him. Later she was called from Havana by both ALFARO and CABRERA. They insisted she come to Havana and bring paratroop boots. On June 9, 1959 she picked up a round trip ticket to Havana and a one way ticket to Costa Rica which she insisted she would not use.

ZULMA is willing to continue her cooperation, and will contact us in the event she receives more information.

Respectfully submitted,



Roy Longbottom
Intelligence Agent



Frank Kappel, Supervisor
Criminal Intelligence

DATE: June 17, 1959

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: Frank Kappel, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS

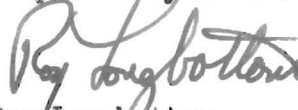
On Wednesday, June 10, 1959, MRS. JOMP called the office of Criminal Intelligence to report that her daughter had rejoined CABRERA in Havana, Cuba. She expressed an interest in prosecuting CABRERA. She was informed that there was a State Statute forbidding enticing unmarried females away from their home for immoral purposes. She was informed that she would be required to contact the States Attorney. She said she would discuss the situation with her husband prior to taking action.


On Friday, June 12, 1959, at 11:20 AM the writer received a telephone call from Havana from ZULMA JOMP inquiring if warrants had been issued for CABRERA. She stated that CABRERA had gone to see FIDEL CASTRO to get a charter plane to take them all to Costa Rica before we could get there.

She was informed that no warrants had been issued at this time and that we were not contemplating prosecution at this time. She was also informed that we had no control over the actions or speech of her parents.

She was advised to return to this country and not to take part in the revolution. She indicated that she is going to Costa Rica today.

Respectfully submitted,


Roy Longbottom
Intelligence Agent


Frank Kappel, Supervisor
Criminal Intelligence

DATE: June 9, 1959

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: Frank Kappel, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: EXPENSE ACCOUNT

6/3/59 thru 6/9/59 Case # 25654-B	\$6.75
6/4/59 Meals for three Agents working overtime. Case # 26673-B	5.45
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TOTAL	\$12.50
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Respectfully submitted,

Roy Longbottom
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Intelligence Agent

Frank Kappel by R. L.
Frank Kappel, Supervisor
Criminal Intelligence

original to sheriff

DATE: July 24, 1959

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: Frank Kappel, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, NICARAGUAN REVOLUTION

On July 23, 1959, MRS. FELICITA JOMP, of 4431 S.W. 4th Street called the writer to state that RAFAEL CABRERA and EFREN R. PICHARDO of 57 S.W. 11 Street were arrested three weeks ago by FIDEL CASTRO and held in Cabana Fortress in Havana. She stated that her daughter ZULMA had returned to this Country and was now in Indiana.

She further stated that CABRERA sent her letters and telegrams signed "DR. FRIXIONE", stating if ZULMA did not return to Cuba he would come to this Country and get her.

MRS. JOMP was advised to call the office as soon as CABRERA contacted her. We want to interview him with reference to the FLOYD HOLZAPFEL case.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Longbottom
ROY LONGBOTTOM
Intelligence Agent

Frank Kappel
FRANK KAPPEL, Supervisor
Criminal Intelligence

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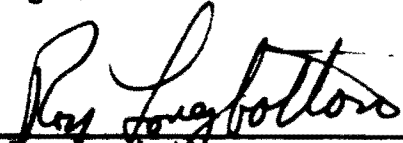
THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

June 2, 1959

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON RAFAEL CABRERA

Received of Miss ZULMA JOMP of 4431 S.W. 4th Street the following described weapon:

A .25 caliber browning automatic pistol #149111 and a clip for same with five .25 caliber cartridges.



Roy Longbottom
Intelligence Agent



Miss Zulma Jomp
4431 S.W. 4th Street

June 3, 1959

Investigation into the Seizure of Illegal Automatic Arms and Ammunition in violation of Title 22 of the United States Code, which occurred on June 3, 1959, at 1952 NW 6th Street, Dade County, Florida. Seizure was at residence of MARIO ARTHUR CANO, W/M, age 53, of 1952 NW 6th Street.

1. At 1:30 p.m., June 3, 1959, I was informed by telephone through Agent ROY LONGBOTTOM of information concerning the location of a cache of hidden illegal automatic arms and ammunition at 1952 NW 6th Street. I was advised by Agent LONGBOTTOM at this time to stand by in the southwest section in the vicinity of 22nd Avenue and 10th Street for further information.
2. At approximately 2:00 o'clock I received another call from Agent LONGBOTTOM advising me to proceed to 1952 NW 6th Street and assist Criminal Intelligence Agents BILL FOLLIARD and CLODE in the seizure of automatic arms and weapons found in the garage and under the house of this location. Upon my arrival I was informed by the two above-mentioned agents that the lessee of the property at 1952 NW 6th Street was MARIO ARTHUR CANO, who resided there with his wife, IRENE, and at the time was being visited by Mrs. CANO'S sister, Mrs. ALEJANDRINA GANCEDO, of 523 SW 7th Avenue, Apartment 3.
3. At the time of my arrival the two agents already had disclosed a quantity of automatic weapons in the garage of the above-named subject. Further investigation revealed underneath the house were stored more arms and ammunition which at this time could not be identified. A call was put through to have Car 622 assist us in removing the arms and ammunition from under the house. This was done with the aid of two trustees from the County Jail.
4. Removed from the premises at this time were the following items: One 60-mm mortar mount and base plate; two bazookas complete with sights; six Browning machine guns, M-2, 50-caliber, serial nos. 1134440, 726421, 1143970, 1119817, 11136352, 921763; six coolers for the same and six extra barrels; one miscellaneous box of 50-caliber machine gun breech parts; six sub-machine guns (grease guns) serial numbers as follows: 352964, 024906, 175329, 190002, 397020, 162516; one 50-caliber machine gun rack; one 30-caliber carbine, Underwood, serial 2648216; one 30-caliber carbine rock-ola, 1734504; one Thompson sub-machine gun, model 1A1, 45-caliber, serial number 607025; one M-1, 30-caliber carbine rifle, serial 3853589; one Enfield carbine, serial number 5373424; three M-1 carbines, serials 2463135, 72848, and 2417104; one Browning 30-caliber machine gun, serial C-122913; and 14 cases of 30-caliber Winchester ammunition at 1,000 rounds per case.

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5. At 3:00 pm on June 3, 1959, I placed under arrest MARIO ARTHUR CANO, IRENE (NMI) CANO, Mrs. ALEJANDRINA GANCEDO, on charges of violating Title 22 of the United States Code in violation of the United States Neutrality Act for the illegal possession of automatic arms and ammunition. The three subjects were transported by me in Car 844 to Station 2 in the Biscayne Arena, where we arrived at 5:30 pm on June 3, 1959.

6. At 5:45 p.m., June 3, 1959, I interviewed the subject, MARIO A. CANO in reference to his knowledge of the illegal arms and ammunition found in his possession. The subject lives with his wife, IRENE, is 53 years old, was born in Cuba and is a naturalized American citizen, has two children (one, a 23-year old daughter, IRIS who has been married and divorced and is now living with her father) The daughter's married name is ROJAS, and the husband still lives in Hialeah. The subject, MARIO CANO, has lived at this address approximately one and a half years. He stated he rents the property from a Mrs. PATRICIA WILBANKS, of 2335 NW 118th Street (?). He is employed by the Paramount Hotel, by Mr. ELSON, as the desk clerk. Previous to this, he worked at the Columbia Hotel at 70 West 46th Street, New York, for two years.

7. Subject has four brothers living in Havana, the eldest of which is JOSE, 65 years, CONSTANTINO, 62 years, PROSPERO, 60 years, and ROBERTO, 55 years. All live under the name of CANO. Subject stated he has never been arrested here or anywhere else. Previous to being employed by the Paramount Hotel he operated an export business under the name of Aljima Export Company, 204 Calumet Building, in Miami. He also stated in 1958, during the Cuban revolution, he was involved in a similar incident with the City of Miami where they discovered a cache of automatic arms and ammunition and the case was handled by CHARLES SAPP, of the City.

8. The subject stated that he had rented the garage at this time to a HUGO LAJONCHERE for a price of \$15 a month. When the subject was questioned about the ownership of the arms and ammunition seized in this offense he stated that he had no knowledge of the ownership of the said arms and ammunition except that they belonged to a white male, MARIO ALFARO, who rented the garage approximately

two months ago for a price of \$15 a month. The subject, ALFARO, reportedly is driving a 1959 red Buick.

9. The sister of Mrs. CANO, Mrs. GANCEDO, who resides at 523 SW 7th Avenue, Apartment 3, is married and her husband, LOUIS, is employed at the Jamaica Inn on Biscayne Key as a porter. He has worked in this position for a period of one year. They have no children. Mrs. GANCEDO is employed at the Miami Guild Fashion at 130 NW 1st Court. She has relatives living in Cuba, two brothers and three sisters, and when questioned concerning whether or not they were sympathetic with the current Nicaraguan revolution she refused to comment.

10. The subject, MARIO CANO, stated that approximately May 15, 1959, he became suspicious of the lessee of the garage, MARIO ALFARO, and contacted the FBI and left word with them that he had information regarding suspicious actions of ALFARO. He stated he never received an answer to his call.

11. At 6:00 pm, June 3, 1959, arrest forms were made out on the three subjects and they were transported by the Road Patrol to the Courthouse Jail. The load of arms and ammunition, in the custody of Agents FOLLIARD and CLODE, were transported to the office of CHARLES ZMUDA on the 19th floor of the Courthouse for storage.

12. The three subjects will be held in the County Jail without bond until June 4, 1959, at which time Criminal Investigation Agent ROY LONGBOTTOM will have information as to whether the three subjects will be charged under State Statutes or Federal Code.

13. All logical investigation having been conducted at this time, request this case be suspended pending action by the FBI or the Federal Court.

cc: Sheriff Thomas J. Kelly
Roy Longbottom (Criminal
Intelligence Div.)

Detective D. STONE

DS:KGB

June 2, 1959

Confidential statement and report in regards to Mr. HOLZAPFEL. The following statement was taken at the Biscayne arena, on June 2, 1959, 11:15 AM, in the presence of Detective NORMAN KASSOFF, DOUGLAS STONE, and Agent WILLIAM FOLLIARD, Criminal Intelligence Division.

Q (By Mr. KASSOFF) Please state your full name.

A SANTIAGO--first name is ZULMA.

Q- How old are you now?

A Nineteen.

Q- We have brought you here in reference to some questions we want to ask you in regards to RAFAEL CABRERA, and as I will explain to you, we have asked you for your cooperation in regards to certain activities that RAFAEL has been engaged in; and I have explained to you the purpose of why we brought you in. Has anyone hurt you or threatened you in any way?

A Here?

Q Yes.

A No.

Q Has anyone stated to you that you would meet with physical or bodily harm if you didn't cooperate with the authorities?

A Here?

Q Yes.

A No, not here.

Q Have any of our officers from any of the departments threatened you in any way?

A No.

Q What you told us here is free and voluntary on your part?

A Yes.

Q Do you know RAFAEL CABRERA?

A Yes.

Q How long have you known him?

A About three months.

Q And where was the first time you met him?

A Clover Club.

Q That's on Biscayne Boulevard?

A Yes, it is.

Q What were the conditions you met him at; were you working there?

A I was working there, yes.

Q And he came in?

A Yes.

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ZULMA SANTIAGO

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(C.C. sent to Cabrera
in Havana.)*

Q You started dating him thereafter?
A Not exactly. He wanted me to quit working there. He didn't like the place.
Q Would you tell me of your associations that you had with him?
A He is a very good friend.
Q Is he a Nicaraguan national?
A That I don't know.
Q Do you know what his status is in the United States ?
A No, I don't.
Q Has he ever confided in you or told you of his hopes or desires to see the present Nicaraguan government overthrown? Has he confided in you that he was taking part in the overthrow of the Nicaraguan government?
A No.
Q Has he ever asked you to assist or participate in any of his activities?
A No.
Q What is your present address?
A 4431 Southwest 4th Street.
Q- (By Mr. FOLLIARD) Did he ever mention to you that he knew of any guns being stored anywhere in Dade County?
A No.
Q- Did he ever mention to you a house at Southwest 240--
A No. The first I knew of that was in the paper when my supervisor brought that in, and it was laying there--that was the first time I read about it.
Q (By Mr. STONE) ZULMA, your latest plans now are primarily concerned with marrying RAFAEL as soon as you can?
A No comment.
Q Do you intend to see him again?
A Since I do not know his whereabouts, that would be very difficult.
Q You don't intend to stay home with your mother?
A I have no comment on that either.
Q (By Mr. KASSOFF) Has RAY ever introduced you to people who he told you were from Nicaragua?
A No.
Q Has he sworn you to secrecy?
A Well, I just don't know any of his friends.
Q Do you have any information concerning his activities in the Nicaraguan revolution at all?
A No.
Q (By Mr. KASSOFF) Are you planning to leave the country very soon?
A At the present time, I'm staying at home.
Q All right.

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June 2, 1959

Statement of ZULMA SANTIAGO taken at 11:15 AM, in the Biscayne Arena,
Miami, Dade County, Florida

I, ZULMA SANTIAGO, have read the foregoing pages numbered one (1)
through two (2) and find it to be true and correct.

(signed)

ZULMA SANTIAGO

Witness _____

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Case 25150-B

RE: CASE 20859B

June 2nd, 1959

This is the transcript of the investigation into the complaint of Mrs. FELICITA JOMP of 4431 SW 4 St., phone HI 49732, on the disappearance of her daughter, ZULMA SANTIAGO, W/F, 19 years.

Information received from Mrs. JOMP by Agent ROY LONGBOTTOM of Criminal Intelligence in reference to the girl's disappearance revealed that the girl had left home some time Monday, May 26, 1959 without notifying the mother of her actions. A Missing Persons bulletin was issued by KEN LEATHERS upon the complaint and has since been cancelled by me.

At 10:00 AM on June 2, 1959 I proceeded to the home of the complainant where the mother and daughter were just then arriving from the airport in a cab. Upon interviewing the mother, Mrs. JOMP, she stated that she had received information from friends that her daughter was in Havana. Mrs. JOMP flew to Havana on the night of June 1, 1959 and returned with the girl at 10:00 AM June 2, 1959.

The girl refused to talk in front of her mother so she was transported to our offices in the Biscayne Arena, 850 NW 23rd St. at her request.

The interview at this office was conducted by DET. NORMAN KASSOFF and myself with Agent WM. POLLIARD and LT. HILL in attendance. The text of this interview is contained in the attached signed statement.

RAPHAEL CABRERA'S mother resides at Ocean Spray Motel on Miami Beach, and his wife resides at 1426 Baracca Avenue, Coral Gables.

DET DOUG STONE

DADE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CRIMINAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
19th Floor, Courthouse
RECEIPT FOR EXHIBITS

Case Name _____ CBI Case No. 25654 B

Date June 2, 1959 Time 7:15P Received by R.P. Hildebrandt

Received from A.S. Terakopian - Criminal Intelligence

1 ea 60 mm Mount, MORTAR with plate and b. pad serial # 22465
1 ea 50 cal machine gun belt loading machine
6 ea 50 cal BROWNING MACHINE GUNS with barrels and
breach mechanisms serial # 1134440

981763
786421
1136352
1119817
1163970

1 ea THOMPSON SUB-MACHINE GUN CAL 45 M1A1 # 607025
3 ea 30 cal CARABINES Underwood 2648216
INCAND DIV 5373424
ROCK-OLA 1734501

2 ea 75 mm RECOILLESS GUNS with telescopic sights
6 ea 45 cal GUIDE Submachine guns # 0249096
162516
352964

Exhibits to be Examined for _____ # 185329
397020

All Exhibits Returned to _____ # 190002

By _____ Date _____ Time _____
Signature _____

DADE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CRIMINAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
19th Floor, Courthouse
RECEIPT FOR EXHIBITS

Case Name _____ CBI Case No. 25654 B

Date June 3, 1959 Time 7:15 P Received by R.W. [Signature]

Received from D.L. Zarabala Criminal Intelligence

4 ea .30 col M1 rifles 2417104

3853589

72848

2463135

1 ea .30 col COLT AIRCRAFT MACHINE GUN C-122913

14 cases 1000 rounds ea .30 col cartridges

Exhibits to be Examined for _____

All Exhibits Returned to _____

By _____ Date _____ Time _____

Signature _____

DADE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CRIMINAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
19th Floor, Courthouse
RECEIPT FOR EXHIBITS

Case Name ZUMA JUMP CBI Case No. 25150-B

Date 6-4-59 Time 9:05 AM Received by Ed Blyler

Received from BILL FOLLIARD

- 1 25 BROWNING AUTO # 14911
- 1 MAC 5 LIVE RND 25 ACP

HOLD COURT ORDER
LONG BOTTOM

Exhibits to be Examined for _____

All Exhibits Returned to _____

By _____ Date _____ Time _____

Signature _____

June 4, 1959

Querido Payito,

espero que esta carta te encuentre en lo mejor de todo. Perdoname el papel, pero no tengo otro más representable. Como te dije el día que llamasteis las "doctores" me hicieron muchísimas preguntas acerca de tu "enfermedad" y también acerca de las "medicinas" cuales ellos dicen Vds. dejaron aquí sin recogerlas.

Pues me tuvieron más de tres horas y ya sabéis que yo no había dormido ni comido porque me estaban esperando cuando llegue a casa.

No te preocupes porque como puedes ver en la copia de las preguntas no dije nada, ni le voy a decir nada venga lo que venga. En el periódico hoy salió que habían encontrado "las machetas" cuales Vds. pensaban usar para el negocio. También me preguntaron como me neces quien era Roberto Garcia. Le dije que no sabía; pero la verdad es que ese no fue el nombre que dice Mario A. acerca al que alquilo la casa? Creo que fue no? Porque yo tengo miedo que sea otra persona a quien cual a la mejor estaba conectada con "lucky" y me pueda hacer un daño creyendo que a la mejor yo sepa quien el Roberto Garcia es. Por favor contestame inmediatamente aclarando esto amor porque estoy muy preocupada.

Nunca sabras cuanto yo he llorado estos dias y he pensado dejas inmediatamente para Habana. Habla con tu Mama y ella me dijo que tu me ibas a mandar el pasaje para estar contigo en San Jose. Con migo todo esta bien y te quiero más todos los dias.

Y el Dr.? no ha llegado? A veces quisiera que no llegue porque se que tu te vas inmediatamente con el!

Amarcito, escribeme porque estoy muy triste y sola y tambien he recibido varias llamadas preguntandome adonde estas y tratando de sacarme informacion de ti de cualquier manera.

Llore mucho cuando vi en el periodico que aquello pasa y hoy todo el dia trato de comunicarme con M.C. en el hotel para decirselo; pero no pude porque no estaba Mejor lo que me escribas a mi direccion porque yo cojo el carrero todos los dias. Tambien me preguntaron acerca de los Comunistas en Cuba y yo le dije que no sabia nada. Quieras que le diga algo o no? Lo que tu quieras.

Bueno, amarcito, sabes que te quiero mucho y que ahora estoy sufriendo lo que te sufristeis por mi.

Tu voy a decir con franquesa

que ahora mismo no puedo moverme
de aquí porque como he negado
todo ellos creen que hay "gato entre
saco".

La verdad es que ellos no tienen
nada contra mí, ni ninguna prueba
que se algo. Así es que estarán
investigando porque me han dicho
que no deje Miami sin decirlo.
Me parece que Vds. tienen aquí
un trastorno cual los esto ven-
diendo porque los detectives después
que encontraron la "casa" me llama-
ron otra vez a la oficina a decir-
me que "yo bien sabía a donde
estaba esa casa y que aunque yo
no quise decirlo lo habían sabido
por buena información "reliable".
Están furiosos conmigo, y les duele
saber que yo lo que sepa no se lo
voy a decir.

Usa que te explicado todo "ma amour"
por favor piensa en mí como yo
pienso en ti y "be a good boy". Hasta
que me escribas, recibe un beso
y muchos abrazos de tu novia.

Te quiero
Mucho
Julmto

DATE: June 4, 1959

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: Frank Kappel, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM RAPHAEL CABRERA TO HIS MOTHER
BY A.L. TARABOCHIA, CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE AGENT

Dear Mother:

For the fact that I could not get the money, I couldn't go to San Jose (Costa Rica). It seems that Mrs. Jomp made quite a fuss about the going of Zulma. Dorothy and my lawyer, whom I thought was my friend, turned against me. If Dorothy causes any damage we will take away her pension. Tell George to come here as soon as possible. Zulmita is going to accompany you. Of the \$300.00 that you are going to send me, give her \$60.00 and send me the rest, because I haven't got a penny left to eat. I'm waiting the arrival of Dr. Lacayo Farfam. You can't go to Nicaragua and your trip right now has to be for San Jose where we are going to meet.

Have a hug from your son, Ray.

Mother, keep an eye on Zulmita and take her with you to San Jose.

Querido Wilama:

Por no venirme el dinero no me puede ir hoy
Lunas a San Jose - Parece que la Sra. Jomp
ha hecho un gran escándalo con la ida de
Zulma - Dorothy y mi abogado a quien
yo creía era mi amigo se me voltió
en contra de mí - Si la Dorothy
nos causa un daño le quitaremos
la pensión - Dile a Jorge que se
venga para esta lo más pronto posible
Zulmita te va a acompañar
de los \$300. que me habías enviado
dale a ella \$60.⁰⁰ y me envíame
mi el resto pues me mandaste
sin ningún centavo ni para
comer - Estoy esperando la venida
del Dr. Luciano Forfan - No puedes
irte a Nicaragua y tu viaje
debe de ser ahora para San Jose
para que nos reunamos -

Recibe un fuerte abrazo
de tu hijo Ray

Mam unpara a Zulmita y llevatela
contigo a San Jose

1 *Alfred Export Corp*
 60 *W. 11th St*
 MIAMI, FLORIDA 33136
 10 N. E. 3RD AVENUE
 SOA CALUMET BUILDING

2 *BARZOOKAS COMPLETE (SIGHTS INCL)*

1 *BROWNING MACHINE GUN* # *1134420*
 50 *CAL 112*

1 " " # *726111*

1 " " # *1163910*

1 " " # *1119817*

1 " " # *1136352*

1 " " # *921763*

6 *COCKETS*

6 *BRANIFF*

1 *Box 50*, *SECURITY SERVICE PRINT*

F.B.I WASH D.C.

ATTN NAT STOLEN PROP FILE.

1 M1 30 CAL ~~ARMS~~ # 38031

MIAMI, FLORIDA
304 CALUMET BUILDING
10 N. E. 3RD AVENUE

1 CARBINE (INFIL) # 537312

1 M1 # 241315

1 M1 # 72444

1 M1 # 2417104

1 BROWNING 30 CAL
MACHINE GUN # C-1

14 CASES 30 CAL AMMUNITION 1000
1000 ROUNDS PER CASE

1 SUB ~~X-1~~ ^{GUIDE} ~~ARCADE~~ ^{REPAIR} ~~MACHINE GUN~~ ^(BREASE GUN)
 200 CULBERT BUILDING
 10 N. E. 3RD AVENUE
 MIAMI FLORIDA

352964

1

"

0219071

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185

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170002

1

397020

162513

1 50 CAL MACH GUN REPAIR

1 30 CAL (REPAIR) (UNDERWOOD) # 26452

1 " (REPAIR) (UNDERWOOD) # 17321

1 THOMPSON SUB MACH GUN 45 CAL # 6
 MODEL 1A1