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COORDINACION DE ORGANIZACIONES REVOLUCIONARIAS UNIDAS
(COORDINATION OF UNITED REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATIONS)
(CORU)

~~NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA (ANTI-CASTRO)~~

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Coordinacion de Organizaciones Revolucionarias Unidas (Coordination of United Revolutionary Organizations) (CORU) is an anti-Castro terrorist umbrella organization integrated by 5 anti-Castro groups which united in the Dominican Republic on June 11, 1976, under the leadership of Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH. The 5 anti-Castro terrorist groups represented at the June 11, 1976 meeting were Accion Cubana, Cuban Nationalist Movement, Cuban National Liberation Front, Association of the Veterans of the Bay of Pigs Brigade 2506 and the 17th of April Movement.

Luis Panigua

Accion Cubana is a group headed by ORLANDO BOSCH AVILA, a Cuban exile medical doctor previously tried and acquitted in Federal Court, Miami, on extortion charges. In 1968, he was convicted in a Federal Court for ship bombings and sentenced to 10 years imprisonment and paroled in December, 1972. In June, 1974, BOSCH admitted having sent package bombs to Cuban Embassies in Lima, Peru, Madrid, Spain, Ottawa, Canada, and Buenos Aires, Argentina. BOSCH is presently in jail in Caracas, Venezuela, held in connection with an investigation by that government of the October 6, 1976 bombing of a Cubana Airlines plane wherein 73 persons were killed.

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The Cuban Nationalist Movement is a right wing organization which claimed credit for acts of violence in the United States and Canada during the mid-1960s.

Cuban National Liberation Front is a Cuban exile terrorist organization which was formed on October, 1973, when several leaders from different groups participated in a sea attack against a Government of Cuba fishing boat. FLNC has claimed credit for about 25 acts of terrorism.

Association of the Veterans of the Bay of Pigs Brigade 2506 is comprised of participants in the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in 1961. The organization has approximately 1,500 members, most of whom are inactive.

The 17th of April Movement is an off-shoot of Brigade 2506 which is presently inactive.

[On May 5, 1977, MM T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past,] advised as follows: (u)

There has been a lot of talk among the Cuban exiles who are associated with CORU concerning missions, by Cuban exiles, against Cuba and/or countries maintaining trade relations with Cuba. These Cuban exiles have noted that in 17 years of attempting to topple FIDEL CASTRO from power in Cuba, with various types of missions, they have all been unsuccessful in weakening CASTRO's hold on Cuba. In addition, financial support for the Cuban exiles has become a problem. This has been brought about by a concern among the Cuban exile community that to contribute to terrorist groups will automatically associate them with terrorism in the eyes of law enforcement agencies.

Some of the Cuban exile activists that have actually carried out missions have temporarily stopped operations in order to re-examine their capability, penetration of activist groups by law enforcement, and resources. This is in addition

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to the posture of the United States towards normalization of relations with communist Cuba, which may give Cuban exiles an opportunity to carry out missions against CASTRO from within Cuba. Some Cuban exiles feel that this may provide a more successful method of bringing down the FIDEL CASTRO communist regime in Cuba.

On May 5, 1977, MM T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows: (S)(u)

Cuban exiles within CORU have been having serious discussions on what course of action to take in their struggle to bring about the downfall of FIDEL CASTRO from power in Cuba. The source believes that the desire to free Cuba from communism has not diminished, but that the Cuban exiles are taking a new look at the new U.S.-Cuba position. Some of the Cuban exiles are openly talking about taking destructive actions within Cuba itself. They are also talking about having the opportunity, in the near future, of carrying out missions against FIDEL CASTRO's government in a more direct way such as Cuban freight ships which may dock in U.S. ports. (S)(u)

[On May 13, 1977, MM T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past,] advised as follows: (S)(u)

On May 11, 1977, members of the Coordination of United Revolutionary Organizations (CORU) reportedly met at ORLANDO "BEBO" ACOSTA's sporting goods store, Casa de Los Deportes, Miami, Florida. FRANK CASTRO stated to those present that new operational cells must be formed by CORU to carry forward the anti-Castro fight. He noted that the CORU would be coming out with a press release in the very near future making the United States and Cuba responsible for any anti-Castro action carried out by CORU. He said that this was due to the United States provoking the Cuban exile community by opening avenues of economic benefit to Cuba, such as strong congressional moves to ease trade and tourist travel restrictions.

FRANK CASTRO stated that intelligence was presently being gathered in Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, the intermediate point of a proposed tourist flight route between the United

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States and Havana. He stated that the flight would be a Mexican airliner from the United States to Merida to Havana. He stated that this aircraft must be sabotaged to cause fear for anyone attempting to travel to Cuba as a tourist. FRANK CASTRO stressed that for the present CORU will prohibit any act or mission within the United States and Puerto Rico. He was very emphatic in stating that all operations must be outside of the boundaries of the United States.

La Cuba
On May 12, 1977, FRANK CASTRO allegedly indicated that the Cuban Nationalists Movement was being reintegrated into CORU, but without FELIPE RIVERO DIAZ. He stated that Brigade 2506 would be reintegrated into CORU by Wednesday, May 18, 1977.

[On August 2, 1977, MM T-4 advised] CORU recently had a meeting in Miami at ROIG Military Academy on 7th Street, wherein the following people attended: *(S)(U)*

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GASPAR JIMENEZ, JOSE COLMENARES, TONY CALATAYUD, and other members of CORU.

The purpose of the meeting was to raise funds to send to Mexico for a jail break attempt for ORESTES RUIZ.

Up to this point money has been collected through a campaign headed by Dr. MODESTO MORA, MARTIANO ORTA, and JOAQUIN FONTANA. These people are all Cuban exile medical doctors. \$1,000 has been raised by them and sent to the Dominican Republic to FRANK CASTRO to be later used in the proposed jail break.

La Cuba
[On August 23, 1977, MM T-3 advised that] Dr. AURELIO ECHEZARRETA and other CORU members recently went to see the president of Venezuela to obtain the release of Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH from civilian tribunals to the Military Court which "effectively" leaves BOSCH without defense in that normal legal procedures do not apply to the military. *(S)(U)*

Dr. BOSCH wants war declared against Venezuela and wants CORU to make all Venezuelan interests its targets.

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MM T-3 advised that a person named "PEPE", a friend of GUSTAVO VILLOLDO, very high ranking CORU member, visits Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH regularly and brings instructions from BOSCH to FRANK CASTRO and other CORU elements in Miami. MM T-3 described "PEPE" as a white male, 5'6", 42-43 years old, brown eyes, short dark hair, medium to strong frame, no mustache.

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On August 22, 1977, MM T-2 advised that "PEPE", friend of VILLOLDO, described above, is JOSE "PEPE" GOMEZ. GOMEZ has an import-export type business which involves Miami, Santo Domingo and Caracas. GOMEZ is also in the fishing and fish processing business from Santo Domingo to Caracas to Miami. Source does not know how extensive this business is.

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MM T-2 advise that JOSE "PEPE" GOMEZ is a very close friend of ORLANDO BOSCH as well as many other Cuban exile activists in Miami and Caracas. "PEPE" does bring letters and messages from BOSCH to people in Miami and "PEPE" does visit with BOSCH often.

On September 30, 1977, MM T-5 advised reliable newspaper sources in Miami received direct information from Venezuela, giving the form, means and reasons why Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH went to Caracas on September 8, 1976. The following is a summary of this information:

In August, 1976, Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH passed through Maiquetias Airport, Caracas, coming from Curacao, enroute Chile. At the airport he was interviewed by a commission from the Venezuelan Government.

Once in Chile, Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH worked with JOSE "PEPE" FIGUERES FERRAR, ex-president of Costa Rica, and FIGUERES got him a false passport under the name of HECTOR EMILIO BALANGO. Using this passport, Dr. BOSCH went from Chile to Costa Rica.

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For unknown reasons, the Costa Rican Government arrested Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH, and later, they agreed to set him free, on the condition that he leave the country. For this purpose, he was given another false passport in the name of LUIS PANIAGUA.

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From Costa Rica, traveling under the name of LUIS PANIAGUA, Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH went to Santo Domingo, where he received a telephone call from Venezuela during which a government official requested him to come to Caracas, where they urgently needed to talk to him. (S) (u)

Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH went to Nicaragua, where he received two more calls from Venezuela, urging him to come to Caracas as soon as possible. (S) (u)

On September 8, 1976, Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH arrived at Maiquetias Airport, Caracas, where he was met at the airport by POSADA, ORLANDO GARCIA, and RICARDO MORALES NAVARRETE. All are members of the Presidential Police Security Organization in Venezuela. (S) (u)

That same night, all the above-mentioned men dined at La Hacienda Restaurant. Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH was staying at the Caracas Hilton, Room 12-S. At the same time, two Venezuelan government employees were staying in Rooms 8-N and 5-Q of the same hotel. (S) (u) VEN Cuba

Under these circumstances, Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH, through these members of the Venezuelan government, received the following proposition: (S) (u)

- he would receive adequate police protection in Venezuela
- he would be provided with a weapon for his personal defense
- he would be permitted to collect funds in Venezuela for the cause of Cuba
- they would try to get him an interview on October 10, 1977, with a top level person in the Venezuelan government. (ORLANDO BOSCH later said the interview was to be with President CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ)

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In exchange for all this, Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH promised to stop terrorism by his group in Venezuela, Costa Rica and Colombia, but not Panama. They tried to include Panama among these countries, and they added to the list of countries which could be attacked the name of Guyana. (S) (u)

After that, the Cubana plane was sabotaged, and seventy-some people were killed. Dr. BOSCH was arrested and charged with the crime. He is presently in the Carcel Modelo in Caracas. (S) (u)

[On October 14, 1977, MM T-1] advised as follows: (S) (u)

One of the individuals who took boats to be used by ARMANDO LOPEZ ESTRADA's group in a raid against Cuba advised that aforementioned group had planned an important operation in Washington, D.C., or New York. This operation was cancelled because of law enforcement pressure and due to the arrest of PEDRO GIL. CORU members feel that LOPEZ ESTRADA has made himself too visible, attracting too much law enforcement interest.

LOPEZ ESTRADA was requested to explain his actions by a CORU committee. His answers were not adequate and some have concluded that he may be an informant. They know that someone within the inner circle of the cell has informed.

CORU has decided to maintain a low profile. They will not conduct any additional terrorist attacks in the near future.

[On November 7, 1977, MM T-6 advised that [redacted] are having very serious problems with Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH in Venezuela. BOSCH has been very arbitrary and demanding and continuously makes statements and issues conclusions on what at best is mere speculation, all of which has been most detrimental not only to BOSCH's cause and the other three jailed persons, but also to the anti-Castro exile community. In addition, the problem exists that if BOSCH is released in January, 1978, where could he go. The U.S. does not want him, the Dominican Republic does not want him, and Venezuela has to deport him. [redacted] admitted that this was quite a dilemma and was further complicated by BOSCH's inordinate declarations.

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MM T-6 stated that the Cuban exiles have excellent conditions which are favorable to topple FIDEL CASTRO of Cuba. He stated that among the excellent conditions which are now evident are: (1) the Angola and African problem that CASTRO has which has resulted in deaths and capture of many Cubans has caused questioning within the Republic of Cuba as to why these Cubans are being sacrificed abroad; (2) Cuba's economy and sugar prices have deteriorated; (3) an apparent shifting posture of U.S. policy towards Cuba, and the fact that FIDEL CASTRO has been in power too long, which historically speaking is detrimental to any leader. He noted that new people with new ambitions come along who make use of and play on a population which has been promised bright futures and those promises have not been fulfilled. (S)(u)

[On November 30, 1977, MM T-3] advised as follows: (S)(u)

FRANK CASTRO, the present leader of CORU, has become active again in reorganizing CORU. He is anticipating that Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH, the incarcerated head of CORU, will be released from jail in Caracas, Venezuela, in the very near future.

Cuba *FLA* [MM T-3 advised that] FRANK CASTRO has received the backing of Dr. CRISTOBAL GONZALEZ MAYO, leader of a Miami Cuban exile confederation of professionals which calls itself "Confederacion de Profesionales Cubanos en el Exilio". Dr. GONZALEZ MAYO agreed to have his organization support CORU with money and political influence. (S)(u)

FLA *Cuba* [MM T-3 further reported that] FRANK CASTRO has secured information regarding international commercial ship movement from TEOFILO BABUN, owner of Antillean Marine Shipping Corporation, Miami. This information shows when ships are in port, in the United States and abroad, when they are due to depart port, what their home port is, and the country to which they belong. (S)(u)

FRANK CASTRO has reportedly stated that CORU needs to plant magnetic type bombs on communist country ships in four different ports, and on simultaneous dates of departure. Further,

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such devices should have 24 hour delay activators causing explosions well after the victim ship leaves port. This would increase chances for the destruction of any evidence.

[MM T-3 stated that] Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH is scheduled to be released in January, 1978. The source advised that he assumes that FRANK CASTRO would want the ship bombing operations to take place soon after the release in order to capitalize on an anticipated publicity momentum that BOSCH's release could cause. (u)

B. APPROX. 1935

[MM T-3 advised on December 19, 1977, that] Dr. CARLOS F. DOMINICIS is a dentist, age approximately 43, white male, Cuban, 5'6", 180 pounds, dark complected, black hair, brown eyes, business address 4912 Bergenline Avenue, Room 15, West New York, New Jersey, 07093, telephone number 201-865-4177, residing possibly at 73 Ferry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07105, telephone 201-589-8222. Source advised that DOMINICIS is now the Secretary of CORU, North Zone, which includes Washington, D.C., Newark and New York City, and other cities north of Washington, D.C. DOMINICIS is the mail organizer for CORU in that area. DOMINICIS possesses a 40-foot power boat located in West New York near a river, which will be transported to Miami, Florida, in the near future to be utilized as a mother ship for various operations by CORU. The boat is to be transported via trailer from West New York to Miami. DOMINICIS was observed driving a two-door, 1977 Chrysler Cordova, further description unrecalled. DOMINICIS will travel from Newark, New Jersey, to Miami, Florida, on approximately December 25, 1977, via automobile and will meet with FRANK CASTRO and other individuals connected in anti-Castro activities in the Miami, Florida area. (u)

B. APPROX. 1933

[MM T-3 advised that] HARRY "the Cop" FARREL, white male, grey hair, fair complexion, approximately 45 years old, operates Farrel Dental Supply and was a formulator of the old "Plan Torriente". FARREL has been designated Treasurer of the CORU organization in the North Zone. (u)

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MM T-3 advised that JOSE TENREIRO, white male, Cuban, newspaperman, has been designated as CORU's Propaganda Chief in the North Zone.

B. APPROX. 1938

"El Chino" ESQUIVEL, white male, Cuban, age approximately 40, was selected by CORU to form military cells for various activities. ESQUIVEL, with the CORU North Zone, is to report directly to FRANCISCO "FRANK" CASTRO, from Miami, Florida. ESQUIVEL will have two groups of cells, one group to engage in activities and operations in the North American Continent, while the second group of cells will operate outside the U.S. on a world-wide basis.

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On December 30, 1977, MM T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows:

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On December 29, 1977, FRANK CASTRO flew to Freeport, Bahamas, aboard his Aerocommander aircraft. With him were the following: (1) PORFIRIO BONET, co-owner with FRANK CASTRO of Bonet Travel Agency, Miami; (2) RAFAEL VILLAVERDE, Director, Little Havana Community Center, Miami; (3) LILIA ESTEVEZ, girlfriend of VILLAVERDE, date of birth April 14, 1953, employed at Little Havana Community Center, Miami; (4) MARTHA MASSON, date of birth January 5, 1949, resides 971 West Flagler, Miami, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Number A12 539 609, reported by MM T-2 as being the secretary to ROBERTO CARBALLO, present President of Brigade 2506, in a new business venture that CARBALLO is in which involves exports and imports of unknown products.

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MM T-2 advised that FRANK CASTRO confided that he did not place any of the three bombs (referring to the bombings of Venezuelan establishments in Miami, New York and the placing of a device in San Juan). He stated that he was now stopping the bombings. He stated that it was now up to Venezuela to negotiate the release of Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH and LUIS POSADA CARRILES, also known as "Bambi". He stated that the Venezuelans wanted him (FRANK CASTRO) to meet with a General GARCIA in Caracas, Venezuela, on or about January 5, 1978. FRANK CASTRO

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stated that he would not go, but would probably send RAFAEL VILLAVARDE. However, the go-between is RICARDO MORALES NAVARRETE and he and VILLAVARDE had a very serious falling out and do not speak to each other. (S)(U)

MM T-2 further advised that FRANK CASTRO appears very pleased and strongly believes that Venezuela will react in a positive way to releasing BOSCH and CARRILES. He confided that he considers the release of CARRILES as more important than BOSCH's release. He feels that BOSCH's ability to collect large amounts of money is no longer of primary importance in that new funding has been established. (S)(U)

[On December 31, 1977, MM T-3 advised that] FRANK CASTRO had advised ORLANDO "BEBE" ACOSTA, REINOL RODRIGUEZ, of Puerto Rico, RAUL CABRERA, and others that RICARDO MORALES NAVARRETE, reportedly, was trying to obtain explosive materials to retaliate against those he suspects of being responsible for the recent December, 1977, violent actions taken against Venezuelan interests. RICARDO MORALES NAVARRETE is presently in Miami, Florida. (S)(U)

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[On January 10, 1978, MM T-4 advised that] a young action oriented cell under the control of FRANCISCO "FRANK" CASTRO of the CORU organization were responsible for the bombing incident that occurred at Viasa Airlines, Miami Beach, Florida, on December 23, 1977. The young CORU cell is made up of ALVIN ROSS DIAZ and RACIEL RODRIGUEZ. Source advised that DIAZ and RODRIGUEZ along with CASTRO have met in the restaurant called Cordova located in the Portofino Shopping Center at 87th Avenue, S.W. 8th Street, Miami, Florida. Source advised that MARIA EUGENIA VIDANA (sister of ANGELINA VIDANA) and MONO MORALES are allegedly connected with RODRIGUEZ and DIAZ. (S)(U)

[On January 13, 1978, MM T-4 advised that] ALFREDO MENCAL was currently in Union City, New Jersey, along with GUILLERMO NOVO SAMPOL and FELIX EGUES and attempting to organize action cells for the organization CORU. MENCAL, NOVO and (S)(U)

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EGUES are organizing the cells for military action in the U.S. and against the country of Venezuela in view of their desire to have ORLANDO BOSCH released.

In connection with the organizing of cells, ALFREDO MENOCA, FRANK CASTRO, ORLANDO ATIENZA, RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ, RAMON RODRIGUEZ, and GUILLERMO NOVO-SAMPOL are organizing a trip to the State of California in order to organize these cells.

In connection with the above activity, CORU will set up front organizations in various areas of the U.S. and secret cells will be formed within the front organizations and the cells will carry out military actions desired by CORU. Source advised that the following front organizations are being set up:

Organizaciones Revolucionarias de Puerto Rico
in San Juan, Puerto Rico; Asamblea Coordinadora
de la Dignidad in the area of Miami, Florida;
Federacion de Organizaciones Cubanas de Illinois
(F.O.C.I.) located in Chicago, Illinois;
Bloque de Organizaciones Revolucionarias Cubanas
de New York, New Jersey (North Zone).

Source reiterated that individual charged with organizing secret cells with the above front organizations is ALFREDO MENOCA.

Source advised that Dr. ANGEL ALVAREZ currently employed as an attorney by the City of Miami, Miami, Florida, and a close friend of RAFAEL VILLAVARDE is engaged in financing activities for the CORU organization.

Source advised that CORU will continue attempts to organize secret cells in the Miami, Florida area, Chicago, Illinois, San Juan, Puerto Rico, as well as the states of New York, New Jersey, California and Texas.

[On January 25, 1978, MM T-3 advised that] FRANCISCO (S)(u)
"FRANK" CASTRO had called an emergency meeting attended by CASTRO,

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ORLANDO "BEBO" ACOSTA and others, at the Cordoba Restaurant, Miami, Florida. FRANK CASTRO appeared agitated and distressed regarding the arrest on January 23, 1978, of GASPAR JIMENEZ and GUSTAVO CASTILLO, on extradition warrants for extradition to Mexico. (CASTRO advised that HUMBERTO LOPEZ, SR., and LUIS CRESPO would be attending an annual dinner held at the Club Martiana in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The dinner would be held on January 28, 1978, to celebrate the "Seneca Martiana".) CASTRO advised that he could not permit JIMENEZ and CASTILLO to be extradited to Mexico due to fears that JIMENEZ and CASTILLO might be extradited from Mexico to the country of Cuba. CASTRO said that the Federal Government of Mexico had previously unofficially promised not to extradite GASPAR JIMENEZ and GUSTAVO CASTILLO through a Cuban source in Mexico City, Mexico. CASTRO advised that upon return of LOPEZ, CRESPO and other Cubans, from San Juan the next week, he (CASTRO) will give an all out "green light" to all terrorist organizations and individuals to attack Mexican property and government officials to include Mexican Embassies and AeroMexico Airlines everywhere. Source advised that on the evening of January 24, 1978, a committee was established to aid JIMENEZ and CASTILLO. ANTONIO MUNIZ was established as head of the committee called "Comite Por Derechos Humanos" (Committee for Human Rights). CASTRO advised that one of the purposes of the violence is to hurt the Mexican tourism trade and force Mexico to withdraw extradition of CASTILLO and JIMENEZ.

[On April 18, 1978, MM T-3 advised that] a meeting ~~(S)~~ (u) is being proposed to occur in the near future, possibly the weekend of April 22, through April 24, 1978, to occur at Sarasota, Florida. The meeting will be attended by the following CORU individuals:

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- ~~FRANK CASTRO, CORU Chief from Miami, Florida;~~
- ~~REINOL RODRIGUEZ, CORU Chief from San Juan, Puerto Rico;~~
- ~~SECUNDINO CARRERAS, Assistant CORU Chief, San Juan, Puerto Rico;~~
- ~~ORLANDO "BEBO" ACOSTA, CORU, Miami, Florida; Dr/Ando Acosta~~
- ~~SIXTO ARCE, CORU, Miami, Florida;~~
- ~~ANTONIO "TONY" MUNIZ, CORU, Miami, Florida; Antonio Muniz~~
- ~~RAFAEL PEREZ GRESTE, CORU, Miami, Florida;~~
- ~~ROGELIO LOPEZ AVALO, CORU, Miami, Florida~~

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Source advised that ROGELIO LOPEZ AVALO was placed in charge of security and is responsible for obtaining lodging for the above individuals. It is also proposed that the above people arrived in Sarasota, Florida, at different times and different dates before the meeting. Source advised that CORU will discuss the following subjects at the meeting:

(1) Current conflict between FRANK CASTRO and LUIS CRESPO (CORU, Miami, Florida), and proposals to settle current differences. (2) Will discuss CORU membership including active organizations within CORU. (3) Will discuss future military strategy. (4) Will discuss plans or possibilities of a future conference to be attended by two delegates from all anti-Castro organizations throughout the U.S.

[MM T-3 advised that] on Monday, April 17, 1978, Dr. CARLOS F. DOMINICIS, CORU leader in the New York area, had arrived in Miami, Florida, at approximately 3 A.M. and had furnished \$1,100 in cash to ORLANDO "BEBO" ACOSTA to finance military action. DOMINICIS had previously mailed ACOSTA \$1,000 in cash, which ACOSTA received on April 13, 1978. Source advised that DOMINICIS advised that he had attended a conference in Chicago sponsored by the Federacion de Organizaciones Cubanas de Illinois (FOCI). DOMINICIS advised that approximately 12 days prior, DOMINICIS had been approached by one Korean and one Spanish individual claiming to be delegates of Reverend Moon and had offered financial aid to FOCI and its anti-Castro activity. DOMINICIS advised that he had discussed the financial aid being offered by Reverend Moon with FRANK CASTRO and ORLANDO ACOSTA and DOMINICIS was told by CASTRO and ACOSTA to go ahead and receive financial aid offered by the delegates of Reverend Moon. DOMINICIS advised that CORU is being proposed as the possible military arm of FOCI. (u)

[MM T-3 advised on May 23, 1978, that] JUAN PEREZ FRANCO of the Brigade 2506 and NESTOR IZQUIERDO, Brigade 2506, said that the Brigade reportedly will be integrated into the CORU in the near future. FRANCO will be the Brigade's delegate to CORU while IZQUIERDO will be the Military Chief. Source advised that the Brigade 2506 has been discussing the possibility of (u)

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reactivating "Ejercito Secreto" under the leadership of RAMIRO DE LA FE. The Brigade 2506 is discussing possibility of reactivating "M-17" or will utilize "M-17" as a pseudonym to take credit for future military actions. Regarding pseudonyms, source advised that pseudonym "Omega Seven" has been utilized by CNM in the New York-New Jersey area in the past. The term "Omega Seven" was originated by JOSE TENRIERO and GUILLERMO NOVO. Pseudonym "ELAC" (Ejercito Latino Americano Anticomunista), was originated by REINOL RODRIGUEZ, CORU Chief of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Pseudonym of "Jovenes de Las Estrella" (Youth of the Star), has been utilized by SIXTO ARCE, CORU member from Miami, Florida. The pseudonym "Pedro Luis Boitel" was possibly originated by ANTONIO MUNIZ, CORU member from Miami, Florida, while the pseudonym "El Condor" was originated by FRANK CASTRO, CORU Chief from Miami, Florida.

[MM T-3 advised that] OSVALDO BENCOMO, CORU Military Chief in San Juan, Puerto Rico, allegedly admitted placing a bomb approximately six months ago at a Venezuelan tourist office, San Juan, Puerto Rico. BENCOMO did not furnish additional details concerning this situation other than it was connected with a bombing incident surrounding Venezuelan office in the New York City area at about the same time. BENCOMO reportedly is the man in charge of military actions for the CORU organization in Puerto Rico. (S)(u)

REINOL RODRIGUEZ, CORU Chief, San Juan, Puerto Rico, advised that he (REINOL RODRIGUEZ) in addition to being head of CORU in Puerto Rico, is also head of "El Bloque de Organizaciones" in Puerto Rico with "El Bloque" having strong affiliations in Chicago, Illinois, New York City, New York. RODRIGUEZ reportedly said that CORU is currently discussing the possibilities of attacks on Cuban Consuls outside the United States, possibly utilizing silencer equipped handguns rather than bombs.

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On July 6, 1978, MM T-2, MM T-3 and MM T-8 advised as follows: (u)

On the evening of July 6, 1978, and at 152 N.W. 27th Avenue, Miami, the following CORU members and/or sympathizers are meeting: (u)

From New York/Newark: (u)

CARLOS DOMINICIS, ROGER HERNANDEZ, Attorney; HELADIO VALDEZ, ORESTES PEREZ, TOMAS DALMAU, JUAN ISIDRON, JULIO AMADOR, EDUARDO ESPINOSA, JOSE TENREIRO, PEDRO HERNANDEZ, ISRAEL ROMERO. (u)

From Miami: (u)

MIGUEL ISA, HUMBERTO LOPEZ, SR., JOSE YEBER, Dr. CRISTOBAL GONZALEZ MAYO, Dr. MANUEL CAMPOS, DIEGO MEDINA, ARMANDO FLEITES. (u)

From San Juan, Puerto Rico: (u)

"Colonel" RAMON BARQUIN. (u)

The purpose of the meeting is to strengthen ties between the various Cuban activists in Miami, New York and Puerto Rico into a unified front. This, according to sources, should strengthen collections of funds and activities which may be programmed to further their aims. (u)

MM T-8 advised that the power structure of CORU sympathizers in the North Zone, also known as Bloque Cubano de Organizaciones Revolucionarias - "Zona Norte (Cuban Block of Revolutionary Organizations - North Zone) are as follows: (u)

Dr. CASTULO FERAUD, President.
Dr. RAFAEL ALOMA SABAS, Secretary.
HELADIO VALDEZ, Secretary of Organizations.
BIENVENIDO CUETO, Treasurer.
CELEDONIO PUERTO, Press Secretary.
ISRAEL ROMERO, Public Relations Secretary.
Dr. CARLOS DOMINICIS.

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The sources advised that DOMINICIS and ISA have been collecting funds among the Cuban doctors and related professions in the Miami area. DOMINICIS, reportedly, just returned from Venezuela where he talked with Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH who told him that he had been advised he would be released from jail in December, 1978. (u)

MM T-8 and MM T-2 advised that the organizer of the July 6, 1978 meeting is ISRAEL ROMERO who is staying in Room 1706, Colonial Hotel, 100 block of Biscayne Boulevard, Miami. EDUARDO ESPINOSA is supposed to be sharing the room with ROMERO. The sources do not know as of this date whether the other Newark - New York people are staying in the Colonial Hotel also. (u)

On July 13, 1978, MM T-2 voluntarily furnished the following information: (S) (u)

Dr. CARLOS DOMINICIS, a member of the Cuban Nationalist Movement, is presently in Miami, Florida. He has recently returned from Caracas, Venezuela, where he talked to Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH. Dr. BOSCH, according to Dr. DOMINICIS, has elevated Dr. DOMINICIS to be the interim head of CORU. Dr. BOSCH is reportedly going to be released from jail by December, 1978. MM T-2 noted that the story concerning Dr. BOSCH's release has been around for some time. Dr. DOMINICIS has advised that Dr. BOSCH has ousted FRANK CASTRO from the CORU leadership. (S) (u)

MM T-2 advised that FRANK CASTRO is presently out of the United States. However, the source stated that he recently spoke with FRANK CASTRO and CASTRO is extremely upset at DOMINICIS' interlopement and has expressed incensement, particularly because this would cause a split in CORU and because he doubts Dr. DOMINICIS' worthiness as a CORU leader. (S) (u)

On July 17, 1978, MM T-2 advised that former CORU Chief, FRANK CASTRO had received information from the Dominican Republic Intelligence Services that the Cuban Government is trying to have FRANK CASTRO assassinated in the Miami, Florida area. (S) (u)

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MM T-2 advised that a relative of FRANK CASTRO is a former high-ranking officer in the Dominican Republic Navy and that possibly through this relative, CASTRO may have found out about the assassination plans. (S)(u)

On July 6, 1978, MM T-8 advised that Dr. CARLOS DOMINICIS, a New Jersey Dentist, is presently in the Miami, Florida area where he is making an effort to collect money from Cuban Medical Doctors. The money will be used by CORU to finance its activities. (S)(u)

Source further advised that several CORU members met on July 6, 1978, at 152 N.W. 27th Avenue, Miami, Florida. Among those attending the meeting were the following: (S)(u)

Dr. CARLOS DOMINICIS
Dr. ROGER HERNANDEZ
ELADIO VALDES
ORESTES PEREZ
TOMAS DALMAU
JESUS ISIDRON
JULIO AMADOR
EDUARDO ESPINOSA
JOSE TENREIRO
PEDRO HERNANDEZ
ISRAEL ROMERO

(S)(u)

Several other persons are expected to attend further meetings at the same location in the next few days. Among those expected to attend are MIGUEL ISA, HUMBERTO LOPEZ, SR., JOSE YEBER, Dr. CRISTOBAL GONZALEZ MAYO, aka Mayito, Dr. MANUEL CAMPOS (S)(u)

The source also furnished the following list of CORU directors for the Northern section of the United States:

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President - Dr. CASTULO FERAUD
Vice President - Dr. RAFAEL ALOMA SABAS
Secretary - ELADIO VALDES
Organizational Secretary - BIENVENIDO CUETO
Treasurer - CELEDONIO PUERTO
Press Secretary - ISRAEL ROMERO
Public Relations Chairman - Dr. CARLOS DOMINICIS

MM T-8, on July 11, 1978, advised that on July 10, 1978, a CORU meeting took place at 152 N.W. 27th Avenue, Miami, Florida, with the following persons in attendance: (u)

At this last meeting the topic discussed was the plans for a meeting of CORU members from all over the U.S. and also representatives of other anti-CASTRO organizations, which will take place sometime during the month of September, 1978, in Miami. (u)

On July 11, 1978, source further advised that Dr. ORLANDO BOSCH is expected to be released from prison in Venezuela sometime in December, 1978. BOSCH is expected to remain in Venezuela after his release from prison. (u)

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