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~~BUNDY SMITH~~
~~ALEXANDER~~
~~BELK~~
~~CHASE~~
~~CHANCE~~
~~DINCENMAN~~
~~COMANDOS L~~
~~HECKEL~~
~~FORRESTAL~~
~~JOHNSON~~
~~KILLDUFF~~
~~KLEIN~~
~~SAUNDERS~~
~~SCHLESINGER~~
~~SMITH, W.M. Y.~~

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COUNTRY CUBA

REPORT NO. TDCS DB-3/658,702

SUBJECT POSSIBLE RAID ATTEMPT BY THE

DATE DISTR. 27 DECEMBER 1963

DATE OF INFO. 27 DECEMBER 1963

PRECEDENCE PRIORITY

PLACE & DATE ACQ. UNITED STATES, MIAMI (27 DECEMBER 1963)

REFERENCES IN 88452

APPRAISAL

FIELD REPORT NO. UFG 4324

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SOURCE

CUBAN EXILE WITH GOOD ACCESS TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMANDOS L. DESPITE THE FACT THAT SOURCE HAS HAD A RELATIVELY SHORT REPORTING HISTORY, HIS REPORTING ON RAIDER ACTIVITIES HAS BEEN GENERALLY RELIABLE. THIS INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM A MEMBER OF THE COMANDOS L.

1. THE M/V HARBELL, ONE OF THE MOTHER SHIPS OPERATED BY THE CUBAN EXILE ACTION GROUP COMANDOS L WHICH HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN NORMAL FISHING ACTIVITY FOR SEVERAL WEEKS, IS PREPARING TO LEAVE ON ANOTHER TRIP ON EITHER 27 OR 28 DECEMBER 1963. THE BOAT HAS BEEN FULLY PREPARED FOR FISHING INCLUDING SUCH ITEMS AS ICE, BUT THE REGULAR CREW WILL NOT BE ABOARD. ROBERTO CAO, THE SKIPPER, WILL REMAIN ASHORE. (FIELD COMMENT: IT WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED THAT THE HARBELL WOULD ENGAGE IN SEVERAL INNOCENT FISHING TRIPS TO FRUSTRATE THE VIGILANCE OF AMERICAN AUTHORITIES).

2. A SIGMA BOAT WITH FLORIDA REGISTRATION FL 8273 FC, DOCKED

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AT THE FLORIDA-CARIBBEAN FISHERIES, INC. 25 SW SOUTH RIVER DRIVE, MIAMI, IS CONNECTED WITH THE CURRENT PLANS OF COMANDOS L AND IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART FROM THE MIAMI RIVER ON 27 DECEMBER. (FIELD COMMENT: THE SIGMA MAY POSSIBLY BE THE LOLITA, FLORIDA REGISTRATION FL 8275 SC.)

3. TWO MEMBERS OF COMANDOS L WHO WERE ARRESTED RECENTLY BY UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN RELEASED ON BAIL WHICH WAS RAISED BY MISS DICKIE CHAPPELLE, A FREE LANCE REPORTER KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE GROUP FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. (SOURCE COMMENT: SINCE MISS CHAPPELLE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE PREVIOUSLY INVESTED MONEY IN THE GROUP AND HAS PUT UP THE BAIL FOR TWO ACTIVE MEMBERS, SHE MAY BE PROTECTING HER INVESTMENT AND PUSHING FOR AN EARLY RAID WHICH SHE CAN COVER. THE BOAT ACTIVITY SUGGESTS THAT SUCH A RAID MAY BE ABOUT TO OCCUR.)

4. (FIELD COMMENT: OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE INTERCEPTED RAMON (FONT) SAUMER, LUIS (AGUIAR) PADRON, AND JESUS MARIA (ALVARES) AMADOR ON 16 DECEMBER WHEN THEY WERE ALLEGEDLY EMBARKING FOR A FISHING TRIP NEAR ROCK HARBOR, KEY LARGO, FLORIDA.)

5. THE AUTHORITIES DID NOT OBTAIN ALL THE WAR EQUIPMENT IN THE 21 OCTOBER CONFISCATION EFFORT. ENOUGH EQUIPMENT REMAINED TO SUPPORT AT LEAST ONE MISSION.

6. THE COMANDOS L HAVE A NEW SAFE HOUSE THE LOCATION OF WHICH IS NOT PRESENTLY KNOWN.

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