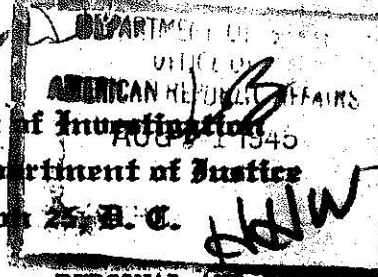


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From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: Fulgencio Batista  
Ex-President of Cuba

Information obtained from a usually reliable source indicates that the political leaders of the Cuban Liberal Party conferred at the home of Senator Ramon Vasconcelos in Havana, Cuba, on August 23, 1945, to prepare for the return of ex-President Fulgencio Batista.

The suggested plan calls for the resignation of Cuban Senator Cesar Vilar, Communist Senator from the Province of Oriente, in favor of Batista. A campaign to elect Batista as Senator in June, 1946, will be waged while Batista remains outside of Cuba. In the event the election campaign is successful, Batista will be assured Senatorial immunity for the remainder of the term of President Grau.

Vilar is to announce his candidacy for mayor of one of the cities in the Province of Oriente and will be supported by Batista in this venture. This plan is reportedly supported by the Cuban ABC Party, Liberal Party, Democratic Party and Communist Party.

The above report has been furnished to the American Embassy in Havana, Cuba.

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