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Havana, September 22, 1945

Subject: Passenger Travel in Cuba, First Six Months
of 1945.

CONFIDENTIAL

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a memorandum summarizing the statistics for persons leaving and entering Cuba during the first six months of 1945. This material has been proffered by the Chief of the Enemy Activity Investigation Service (S.I.A.E.), a branch of the Cuban National Police.

This study is not particularly exhaustive or valuable; it gives no indication of actual population movement through migration, but rather the bare facts of passenger travel. The S.I.A.E. office has practically disintegrated; the present Chief is a figurehead, and the employees are understood to have become negligent in appearing on duty. This study is not likely, therefore, to be followed by similar ones in the future, which might enable it to serve as the first of a possibly useful series. The reason for its preparation and unsolicited presentation to this Embassy is not known, but the preparing office may be casting about for a means of justifying its continued existence. Information available indicates that such an endeavor would not be likely to meet with success, so that the study in question may turn out to be a sort of swan song of the S.I.A.E.

Respectfully yours,

For the Ambassador:

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Enclosure: Memorandum "Migratory Movement in Cuba,
First Six Months of 1945"

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MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Migratory Movement in Cuba, First Six Months
of 1945.

During the first six months of 1945, 16,678 persons entered Cuba and 19,494 departed. This movement was classified as follows, by country of nationality:

<u>Nationality</u>	<u>Entries</u>	<u>Departures</u>
United States	7,573	7,989
Cuba	5,478	7,214
Spain	763	1,097
Mexico	831	814
Great Britain	404	502
Haiti	189	220
Venezuela	181	222
Canada	160	164
Santo Domingo	148	137
Colombia	122	136
(Without Nationality)	12	129
Panamá	98	96
Argentina	87	96
France	51	84
Costa Rica	74	74
Poland	25	59
Ecuador	55	41
Chile	44	44
Brazil	37	43
Peru	40	33
Holland	39	37
Guatemala	29	26
Russia	24	24
Belgium	17	24
Switzerland	19	20
Czechoslovakia	13	20
Nicaragua	19	17
Honduras	19	14
Salvador	17	16
Sweden	17	15
China	12	15
Uruguay	15	12
Norway	9	12
Portugal	8	11
Denmark	11	7
Luxemburg	0	11
All others	-	-
	<u>16,678</u>	<u>19,494</u>

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Of the persons entering Cuba, 10,500 were males and 6,178 were females; 16,433 were of the white race, 220 of the negro race, 20 of mixed race, and 5 of the yellow race. Of the persons leaving Cuba, 12,071 were males and 7,420 were females; 19,159 were of the white race, 309 of the negro race, 15 of mixed race, and 11 of the yellow race.

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