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 DATE: June 30, 1958
 TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff
 VIA: W. D. McKee, Criminal Intelligence
 FROM: F. Kappel, Intelligence Agent
 SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF GUNS

On June 26, 1958 I received a request to contact a BOB BERNSON, WI 7-0000, reference a Cuban making gun purchases.

A phone call to Mr. BERNSON disclosed approximately noon June 25, 1958, he (BERNSON) observed a man of Latin decent, possibly Cuban, making a purchase of three or four firearms from "The Gunn Shop", Biscayne Boulevard and 90 St., Miami Shores. BERNSON further stated the purchaser had arrived in a taxi cab and was being assisted, in conversation, by the cabbie.

Further investigation revealed a man believed to be from Caracas Venezuela, REINALDO CERVINI had purchased from "The Gunn Shop" three 38 caliber hand guns and one 30.06 caliber rifle. Weapons were delivered to the Fontainebleau Hotel, in which CERVINI is alleged to be registered in room 1245. CERVINI paid for purchase with American Express checks.

Immediately after making purchase, CERVINI was taken by Mercury cab #149, AL BLAIR (driver) to the DuPont Tarelton Hotel down town Miami. Check with DuPont Tarelton disclosed during course of June 25, 1958 the Chamber of Commerce of Americas, had held a full day session at the hotel.

Fontainebleau Hotel confirmed that CERVINI registered in room 1245, however he checked out Thursday, June 26, 1958.

Customs agents revealed there is no check made of persons leaving the country as to their baggage and personal belongings.

All logical investigation having been conducted, consider this investigation closed.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Kappel
 Intelligence Agent