DATE: August 6, 1958

TO: Thomas J. Kelly, Metropolitan Sheriff

FROM: W. D. McKee, Criminal Intelligence

SUBJECT: ALLEGED IMPORTATION OF NARCOTICS

On Wednesday, August 6, 1958 at 2:00 P.M., received information that a woman using the name Minerva Perez, or Minerva Valdez left Tampa at 9:00 A.M. this morning in route to Havana Cuba.

The subject is described as a W/F, about 30 years old, 5'3" to 5'4", 145 lbs. to 150lbs., fair complexion, plump build, brown eyes, brown hair, loud spoken, and speaks English fluently.

The information we received from an extremely reliable source stated that the subject was in Havana Cuba a week or so ago and was contacted with reference to transporting heroin into this Country. She received a call yesterday afternoon from the Cuban contact who is reported to be Santos Trafficante, who is known to be a member of the mafia, who was a suspect in the murder of Anastasia in New York City recently.

The subject has been arrested in Hillsborough County within the last two or three years, and charged with bolita and larceny.

Our informant did not know the subjects itenerary however, it was believed that she would fly directly to Havana Cuba and return, although in the past she has been known to land at the National Air Port in Miami.

A check on flights leaving Tampa for Havana reveals that there is a direct flight leaving at 9:20 A.M.

Since the alleged crime was not occurring in Dade County, it was felt advisable to turn our information over to the Federal Narcotics Agents, therefore, at 2:45 P.M. this date, Kenneth J. Rudd, Federal Narcotics Agent was contacted at his office, FR 5-6742, and advised of all the information in this case.

Mr. Rudd stated that they would take care of the matter and we need not concern ourselves with it.

Our advisor in this matter was contacted, notified of our actions, and he stated that he will contact us when he learns any further information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. McKee, Criminal Intelligence

Roy Longbottom Intelligence Agent

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August 12, 1958

Honorable Ed Blackburn Sheriff of Hillsborough County Tampa, Florida

Re: Case #27153-A

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate receiving a copy of the Police or Criminal record, if any, of Minerva Peres, also known as Minerva Valdez. We would also like to obtain pictures of the subject if they are available.

Be assured of our continued cooperation in all matters of mutual interest.

Sincerely,

Roy Longbottom Intelligence Agent

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August 12, 1958

Mr. Kenneth J. Rudd U. S. Bureau Office of Agents 300 N.E. 1 Avenue

Dear Mr. Rudd:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a memorandum entitled our case number 27153-A.

We received information from our source, that the subject returned from Cuba Sunday, August 10, 1958. We do not have the port of entry.

Please feel free to call on us in this or any other matters of mutual interest.

Very truly yours,

Roy Longbottom Intelligence Agent

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cc: Our report #27153-A



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August 14, 1958

Mr. Roy Longbottom Intelligence Agent Public Safety Department Metropolitan Sheriff Miami 32, Florida

Dear Sir:

Re: Minerva Perez

a/k/a Minerva Valdez Your Case #27153-A

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated August 12, 1958, with reference to the captioned subject.

Our Identification Records have been checked for this name and we fail to find any record on this subject. Our local FBI Office also made a recent inquiry regarding this subject.

We regret that we are unable to be of assistance to you at the present time.

Yours very truly,

ED BLACKBURN, JR., SHERIFF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLA.

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