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COUNTRY: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC/SPAIN/ARGENT INA/ TUBA

DOI: 26 NOVEMBER 1967

SUBJECT: ALLEGED ASSOCIATION OF FULGENCIO BATISTA, JUAN

PERON, DOMINICAN GENERAL ANTONIO IMBERT BARRERA,

AND ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS IN PLAN FOR ACT ION

IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

ACQ : UNITED STATES, MIAMI (28-29 NOVEMBER 1967) UFG-9178

SOURCE : A CUBAN EMIGRE RESIDENT IN MIAMI. SOURCE HAS GOOD

CONTACTS AMONG CUBAN ACT IVISTS IN THE EMIGRE

COMMUNITY. SOURCE HAS NOT REPORTED FREQUENTLY

IN THE PAST, BUT HE IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN ACCURATE

AND RELIABLE REPORTER OF WHAT HE HAS HEARD. HE

OBTAINED THIS INFORMATION FROM JULIO ATON CONSTANZO

PALAU, WHO OBTAINED IT FROM PACHUCHO MORALES,

FATHER OF THE FIANCEE OF ADOLFO JIMENEZ AGUILERA

(SEE PARAGRAPH 3). MORALES WAS DESCRIBED BY CON-

STANZO AS A WEALTHY DOMINICAN WHO MADE A SUBSTAN-

TIAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO PRESIDENT JOAQUIN

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BALAGUER'S ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN. CONSTANZO SAED
THAT MORALES TRAVELLED FREQUENTLY BETWEEN THE
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND MIAMI.

ASSOCIATED WITH ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR, IN PLOTTING ACTION DESIGNED TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF HAITI AND ESTABLISH A BASE THERE FOR ACTIVITY AGAINST FIDEL CASTRO IN CUBA HAS SAID THAT FULGENCIO BATISTA, JUAN PERON, AND FORMER DOMINICAN GENERAL ANTONIO IMBERT BARRERADHAVE MADE PLANS FOR "SOME TYPE OF ACTION" IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. A PLANNED STEP IN IMPLEMENTING THE ACTION FAILED WHEN AN ARMS-CARRYING EMISSARY WAS ARRESTED IN SANTO DOMINGO BECAUSE HIS CONTACT IN THE CUSTOMS SERVICE HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT AND COULD NOT APPEAR AT THE APPOINTED TIME. END SUMMARY.

ON 26 NOVEMBER 1967 IN MIAMI, FLORIDA, JULIO ATON CNSTANZO PALAU, CUBAN EMIGRE, SAID THAT FULGENCIO BATISTA, JUAN PERON, AND FORMER DOMINICAN GENERAL ANTONIO IMBERT BARRERA HAD MET IN SPAIN "A FEW WEEKS AGO" AND MADE PLANS TO TAKE SOME TYPE OF ACTION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

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NO HAD AGREED TO DO SO. VLAD IM IR SECEN, DOMINICAN, IS ALSO

- 2. CONSTANZO SAID THAT ADOLFO JIMENEZ AGUILERA, CUBAN MIGRE, HAD MADE A TRIP "NOT LONG AGO" TO SPAIN, WHERE THE ERON-BATISTA-IMBERT-MASFERRER ALLIANCE HAD BEEN PLANNED.

 JIMENEZ HAD RETURNED FROM SPAIN WITH PLENTY OF MONEY. ABOUT IN LATE OCTOBER 1967, ANTONIO IMBERT HAD VISITED MIAMI OR SOME OTHER PLACE IN FLORIDA AND HAD A LUNCHEON CONVER-
- JERE AMONG APPROXIMATELY EIGHTY PERSONS ARRESTED BY UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES ON 2 JANUARY 1967 NEAR MARATHON, IN THE FLORIDA KEYS, IN CONNECTION WITH A PLOT LED BY MASFERRER, JHO WAS A CUBAN SENATOR DURING BATISTA'S REGIME, AND FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, HAITIAN EXILE PRIEST. THE CONSPIRACY WAS DESIGNED TO LAUNCH AN INVASION OF HAITI WHICH WOULD LEAD TO THE OVERTHROW OF PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER'S GOVERNMENT AND PROVIDE A BASE FOR ACTION AGAINST FIDEL CASTRO. SIX OF THE PLOTTERS, INCLUDING MASFERRER, CONSTANZO,

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AND GEORGES, WERE CONVICTED ON 16 NOVEMBER. SENTENCES ARE
TO BE PASSED AFTER "BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS." VLAD IM IR
SECEN, MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1, ABOVE, AS ALSO INVOLVED IN
THE ACTION PLANNED IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, IS A CROATIANBORN DOMINICAN CITIZEN. HE IS A FORMER COLONEL IN THE
DOMINICAN ARMY, A SPECIALIST IN MILITARY TACTICS.)

OF MASFERRER, WAS TO DELIVER THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF WEAPONS
TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC IN A SUIT CASE WHICH WAS TO BE
CHECKED THROUGH CUSTOMS AT THE AIR PORT BY A CUSTOMS OFFICER
WHO WAS IN ON THE PLOT. ACCORDING TO CONSTANZO THE PLAN
FAILED BECAUSE THE CUSTOMS OFFICER WAS INJURED IN AN
AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT AND COULD NOT BE AT HIS POST WHEN
JIMENEZ ARRIVED. CONSEQUENTLY JIMENEZ WAS ARRESTED. IFIELD
COMMENT: DIARIO LAS AMERICAS CARRIED A UNITED PRESS
INTERNATIONAL DISPATCH DATELINED SANTO DOMINGO, 22 NOVEMBER
1967, REPORTING THE ARREST THERE OF JIMENEZ, WHO HAD WITH
HIM A SUIT CASE CARRYING EIGHT M-1 MACHINE GUNS, A BERETTA
MACHINE GUN, AND A .32-CALIBER BROWNING PISTOL. ACCORDING
TO THE DISPATCH, JIMENEZ HAD ARRIVED IN SANTO DOMINGO FROM
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MIAMI. UPON HIS ARRIVAL HE HAD DECLARED TO CUSTOMS SOME BUT NOT ALL OF THE ARMS.)

- CARRIED TO SANTO DOMINGO WERE FROM MASFERRER'S STOCK OF ARMS THAT HAD NOT BEEN PICKED UP IN THE RAID IN JANUARY BY UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES AT COCO PLUM BEACH, IN THE FLORIDA KETS. MASFERRER HAD ALSO PURCHASED NEW WEAPONS IN MIAMI ANOQU NEW JERSEY. SOME WERE WEAPONS WHICH HAD BEEN STOLEN FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY WILLIAMS RESERVE CENTER, 11700 NORTHWEST 27TH STREET, MIAMI. THE THIEF WAS CASTELLON (FNU). WHO HAD BEEN SERVICING VENDING MACHINES AT THE CENTER.
- SPANISH EMISSARY OF JUAN PERON HAD ARRIVED IN MIAMI, HAD MET WITH MASFERRER AND SECEN, AND HAD GIVEN THEM MONEY. (FIELD COMMENT: WITH REGARD TO THE POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT OF JUAN PERON, IT IS PERHAPS COINCIDENTAL THAT ACCORDING TO A SOURCE WHO HAS REPORTED ACCURATELY IN THE PAST, TWO WELL-KNOWN PERONISTS RECENTLY WERE TO MEET IN MIAMI AND PROCEED TO SANTO DOMINGO. DELIA DE PARODI ARRIVED IN MIAMI BY AIR ON 18 NOVEMBER FROM BUENOS AIRES, HANING BEEN INVITED BY

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PRESIDENT JOAQUIN BALAGUER TO VISIT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

SHE WAS TO LEAVE MIAMI ON 25 NOVEMBER ACCOMPANIED BY LUIS

GONZALEZ TORRADO, WHO WAS TO ARRIVE FROM NEW YORK ON 24

NOVEMBER.)

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