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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Analysis Group

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 aka: Martia LORENZ

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BROTHER : ~~Manfred Philip LORENZ~~
 aka: ~~Philip LORENZ~~
 aka: ~~Manfred Philip LAWRENCE~~
 Born on 11 August 1935 in Germany
 As of 1955, studying music (piano)
 in New York City under Claudio ARRU.

SISTER : Valerie Claire LORENZ
 (supra)

FATHER : ~~Heinrich Frederick LORENZ~~
~~Born 8 April 1898, Badmunster Al Stein,~~
 Germany. Married Alice June LORENZ on
 31 August 1932 (or 8 August 1931) at
 Bremerhaven, Germany; divorced in
 February, 1946, Alice receiving the
 children. Employment:

1955: Captain of the "M. S. Berlin",
 North American Lloyd Lines, where
 he was re-employed in 1948.

1950: Cargo master of the "Hermoid"
 or "Hermod", U. S. Navigation
 Company, Whitehall Building, New
 York City.

1945: U. S. Army Exchange, Bremerhaven,
 Germany.

October 1945: Released from British
 POW camp. He had been captured
 during World War II when his ship
 sank while acting as a German Navy
 officer.

Prior WWII: Captain of the "S. S.
 Bremen" and "S. S. Europa".

NOTE: The file contains information that
 an individual of the same name was
 connected with German intelligence
 during WWII.

MOTHER : ~~Alice June LORENZ~~
 aka: ~~June Alice LORENZ~~
 aka: ~~Alice LAWRENCE (pen name)~~
 aka: ~~June PAGET (professional film and
 stage name)~~
 nee: ~~Alice June LOFLAND~~

Born 15 October 1905, Wilmington, Delaware
Alice June LOFLAND left the United States
in July 1931 for Germany and married
Heinrich Frederick LORENZ shortly there-
after. She remained in Germany until her
entry into the United States with her
children on 1 May 1950, proceeding to
Florida. Residences:

1952-1955: 1418 Monroe Street, Washington,
D. C.

1952: 1459 Monroe Street, Washington, D. C.

1951: 1502 Monroe Street, Washington, D. C.

1950: 313 6th Street, East, Bradenton, Florida

Employment:

October 1953 to at least April 1955:
Office of the Chief of Engineers,
Gravelly Point, Washington, D. C.

Previous: to numerous to mention,
covers to 1945 in Germany, mostly
U. S. Government related.

MATERNAL
AUNT :

Lucy L. MC CONCHIE
aka: Lucille MC CONCHIE
aka: Lucy HAINES
nee: Lucy LOFLAND
Born 22 August 1886, Wilmington, Delaware.
Spouse: Major (U.S. Army) Thomas L.
MC CONCHIE, Jr. She, as of 1950, employed
at the Pentagon, Washington, D. C., admin
clerk and typist, Office of the Chief of
Staff, U. S. Army National Guard Bureau,
Organization and Training Branch; residing
at 3023 14th Street, N. W., Washington,
D. C., Apartment 613 or 716.

MATERNAL
AUNT :

Elizabeth CONARROE
nee: Elizabeth LOFLAND
aka: Mrs. Elvin H. CONARROE

As of mid 1950's living at Mountain Lakes, New Jersey. As of 1950-1952 husband employed by Metropolitan Life Insurance, New York, and residing at 1529 1st Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida.

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UNCLE : William Joseph LOFLAND
Born 21 March 1904, Wilmington, Delaware

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As of 1943 at 18310 Ferguson Street,
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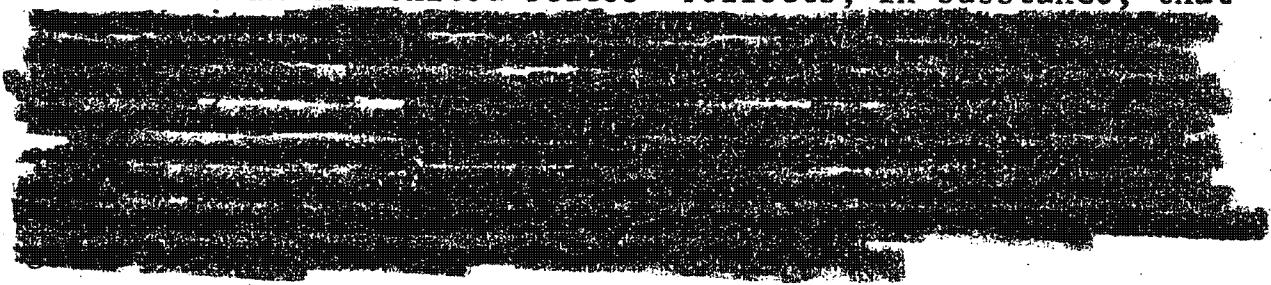
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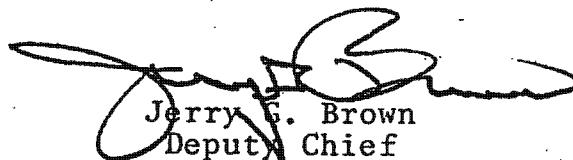
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8. Relative to LORENZ's claim in the attached article that she and Alex RORKE (in conjunction with the assassination attempt against CASTRO) visited FBI offices in New York and had a "conference with the two agents who had questioned her previously and a CIA official", it is interesting to note that LORENZ was interviewed by SA O'Brien on 22 December 1959. The file of Alexander I. RORKE, Jr., reflects that he was interviewed on 30 December 1959 by SA Francis J. O'Brien, FBI, New York.

9. The above is for your information.



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