SECRET/RYBAT

WH/COG [illegible]

MEMORANDUM FOR: ADDP
C/CI/R & A (Mr. Rocca)

SUBJECT : Garrison and the Kennedy Assassination

REFERENCE : CI/R & A Memorandum Dated 26 April 1967

1. In response to reference memorandum, WH/Cuban Operations Group has endeavored to provide all available information on individuals and organizations mentioned in paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 of reference. Attachment 1 provides background information and biographic data on individuals obtained from WH/COG and JMWAVE files. Attachment 2 summarizes the information and known association with the organizations listed in paragraph 6 of reference.

2. WH/COG will continue to review all material that may contain information pertinent to this subject and will forward such information to CI/R & A on a priority basis.

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Attachment 1
Bio-data on Individuals

Attachment 2
Background Data on [illegible], INC.

ATTACHMENT 1 TO MI COG 67-194

Attachment 1

Sergio Vieg[illegible] Sotto (Enclosure 2 of reference memorandum)

DATE: [illegible] January 1963, CIA

1. [illegible] ARCACHA [illegible] first arrived in [illegible] at the [illegible] CIONARIO [illegible] in New Orleans prior to the [illegible] continued up [illegible] until [illegible] the [illegible] predecessor of the [illegible] and was [illegible] employed by [illegible] of [illegible] at a [illegible] Further [illegible] to the [illegible] headquarters in Miami [illegible] in Caracas, [illegible] and reportedly [illegible] relations with the New Orleans [illegible] offices. Also of his regular FBI contacts [illegible] Bruce and the deceased Guy Banister.

2. ARCACHA was [illegible] one of the promoters of the FRIENDS OF [illegible] (FDC) which was incorporated in New Orleans on [illegible] 1961. This organization was ostensibly [illegible] several New Orleans business and political figures, including the deceased former FBI agent, Guy Banister, to collect money to aid Cubans in their fight against Castro. According to the articles of incorporation, these contributions would also be used to support the FRD and [illegible] were to be channeled through ARCACHA, less a percentage to be retained by the FDC. An investigation conducted [illegible] Miami Station asset concluded that the FDC was [illegible] strictly for the personal gain of the promoters [illegible] approval and collaboration of ARCACHA. The investigation produced no evidence that any individual dollars were ever solicited or received and recommended [illegible] funds of the Stevedores [illegible] the books of the New Orleans Exporters Company be investigated for evidence of [illegible] and possible evidence of federal tax evasion, since both the president of the New Orleans Exporters Company, Gerard F. Tunacliffe, and the Chief of New Orleans [illegible], Alfred Chittenden, were officials of [illegible]. Approximately one month after the FDC was created, [illegible] criticism from some prominent Cubans put the organization out of business.

3. Information on an immigration card reflects that ARCACHA travelled [illegible] Venezuela at an unspecified date. His address in Venezuela was HOTEL TIUNA, Caracas, and his US address was listed as 4523 Duplesses Street, New Orleans. Passport No. 00433.

[illegible] CSCI-3[illegible], dated 30 [illegible] 1951. Other copies of the above [illegible] are [illegible] 13 January 1951; [illegible] 11 October 1950; [illegible] 15 October 1951; CSCI-316/[illegible]; and CSCA-[illegible], 22 February 1951.

(Carlos BRINGUER, enclosure 5, of reference memorandum)

Carlos BRINGUER is a brother of Juan Felipe BRINGUER Espinosa, a former member of Brigade 2506 who was captured during the invasion. The personal history statement in Juan BRINGUER's 201 file states his brother Carlos, a lawyer in Cuba, was 20 years old at the time of Juan's recruitment in 1960.

[illegible] (Item [illegible] A) of reference memorandum

[illegible] 11 January 19[illegible] [illegible] (INCO), sponsored the New Orleans appearance of Juanita Castro shortly after her arrival on the [illegible] LACK [illegible] a particular interest in Miss CASTRO since the [illegible] of Miss Castro's [illegible] Mexico. [illegible] handle the [illegible] between the [illegible] and Cuban [illegible] in Miami protests. The INCO [illegible] "CENTRO-BITLIA [illegible]". See Attachment [illegible] for a summary of the INCO organization.

(Based on Paragraph (2)(b) of reference memorandum)

DRAFT: [illegible] 29, New Orleans, Louisiana

1. [illegible] is Alberto Carlos FOWLER Carillaire, a member of [illegible] 2506 who was captured during the invasion and returned to the US in the December 1962 prisoner exchange.

2. FOWLER apparently returned to Cuba with his parents during [illegible] returned to the US to attend [illegible] School, [illegible] and St. [illegible] University. [illegible] transferred from LSU [illegible] to Cuba [illegible] FOWLER was born [illegible] FOWLER was [illegible] Havana from 1951 until [illegible] 1960 and entered the [illegible] New York [illegible] Representative [illegible] FOLEY. In reference [illegible] FOWLER worked for the [illegible] Beach, Florida, where his father [illegible], and for [illegible] TRAVEL SERVICES, W. Palm Beach, Florida, until approximately 1961. He apparently lost his citizenship during his years of residence in Cuba and immigration records indicate he applied for advance parole status in November 1966 while he was still employed in W. Palm Beach. He apparently returned to Louisiana sometime after that date. FOWLER's father lives in Covington, Louisiana, and he has a sister who is married to Fort PIRES, Jr., member of a prominent New Orleans family.

Emilio SANTANA (Subject) 7 C of Reference memorandum

DPOB: 7 Sept 1935 Cardenas, Matanzas, Cuba
(also reported 7 Sept 1936 and 7 Sept 1937)

1. Subject was promoted administrative with Emilio SANTANA Galindo, who was recruited by [illegible] in 1950 as a guide for an infiltration team. SANTANA was paid a monthly salary under [illegible] cover of his [illegible] and he was terminated on 15 October 1963 [illegible] developed by the team [illegible] Soviet [illegible]. Further [illegible] reports for SANTANA's termination [illegible] reports concerning certain aspects of the team operations.

2. In an effort to obtain [illegible] identification, JMWAVE obtained a report from the Miami Dade County Sheriff's office [illegible] for Dade County. SANTANA, born 5 July 1935 in Cuba, was described as a native from Louisiana on a [illegible] warrant 72 [illegible] Not sheet 1322977, based on two counts of burglary in Louisiana. He was arrested and booked by the Dade County Sheriff's office on 2 February 1963 and was presumably sent back to Louisiana. At the time of his arrest SANTANA gave his address as 351 S. 4th Street, Miami, which is the same address shown on an old [illegible] when he was living in Miami. Headquarters files indicate SANTANA is separated from his wife who apparently still resides at the old Miami address. Since SANTANA's date of birth varies on various documents in his 201 file, the variation in birth date on his arrest sheet is not conclusive. The fact he did give his former address to the arresting officers indicates he is Emilio SANTANA Galindo. A 1962 immigration form includes a photograph which could be obtained from JMWAVE for identification purposes if that becomes necessary.

3. Although JMWAVE has had no contact with SANTANA since his termination, there is a note in Station files dated 23 June 19[illegible] that SANTANA used the Agency as his employer on an auto credit application.

Carlos QUIROGA (Paragraph 7(C) of reference memorandum)

Subject is [illegible] identified with Carlos QUIROGA, a former student at Louisiana State University who was a candidate for the Agency Student Recruitment Program. This involved recruitment of Cuban students in the US who would return to Cuba as agents in place. JMWAVE traces reflect an individual of the same name was an electrical engineer residing at [illegible] Place, New Orleans, in December 1961. Subject reportedly had personal tendencies. [illegible] was an ardent Castro supporter and made pro-US statements. There is no information that Carlos QUIROGA was ever employed by the Agency in any capacity.

Julian BUZNEDO (Enclosure 8 of reference memorandum)

DPOB: 16 February 1940, Havana, Cuba

Subject is apparently identifiable with Julian BUZNEDO Castellanos, who arrived in the US on 10 November 1960 and enlisted in Brigade 2506. He was a civilian pilot in Cuba and served on the invasion craft BARBARA J. BUZNEDO was captured and released in the prisoner exchange. (There is no indication he was ever employed by the Agency, other than his participation in the invasion.

Gordon Jones SOVEL (Enclosure 19 of reference memorandum).

There is no record of Subject in Miscellaneous Organization Group Files or JESSAL files. JESSAL enclosed article on SOVEL which appeared in the MIAMI HERALD on 26 April 1967, which is available in CI/R & A, and is in the process of conducting an exhaustive search for traces on the cover organization; SOVEL claimed to operate for the Agency in New Orleans.

[illegible] 23 of Reference [illegible]
[illegible] SHAA Torres)

There is no record of Subject under either name in SHAA
of [illegible]

[illegible]
(SECRET; SENSITIVE; NOFORN; DELAY [illegible])

1. The PRE was conceived, created and funded by the Agency in September 1960 and terminated in December 1965. It was an organization of anti-Castro students from Cuba who had fled against Castro's dictatorship. Many of the leaders came into exile around April 1960 and were subsequently trained and infiltrated into Cuba by the Agency in late 1960 where they recruited by obtaining [illegible] through the Bay of Pigs [illegible]. While the PRE was initially set up as a [illegible] organization, the organization was given a large amount of publicity and was [illegible] material. After the Bay of Pigs the PRE was independent, [illegible] military actions which [illegible] Agency direction and [illegible] political action [illegible] which was sent [illegible] international students [illegible] radio programs and special propaganda [illegible].

2. After [illegible] in military operations, many of the best PRE members relocated in other areas. At present there are [illegible] in most Latin American countries which have maintained some contact with various Agency stations over the years although the PRE is no longer very active. During the organization's [illegible] period of active existence PRE personnel were in contact with several JMWAVE stations and outside contract agents. However, from January 1966 through November 1969, contact with PRE personnel was limited to two agents: Juan Manuel SAIZAR, the current PRE Secretary General who is now operating a bookstore in Miami, Florida, and Fernando GARCIA Chacon who was relocated in El Salvador.

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The FRENTE REVOLUCIONARIO DEMOCRATICO (FRD)
(CUBAN DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTIONARY FRONT)

1. The FRD was created with Agency assistance, guidance and managerial support in May 1960 and consisted of several anti-CASTRO groups. The FRD was formed as a political action, propaganda and military unit. Initial actions consisted of extensive radio and printed propaganda, demonstrations, and trips throughout the Hemisphere to gain support for the Frente and anti-CASTRO. The FRD also functioned as the organization for recruiting the members of the Bay of Pigs invasion force and carried out a massive program to secure assistance to Cuban 2506 refugees in Miami, Camps and their families. Although the FRD headquarters was based in Miami, field offices were maintained in other cities which included New Orleans, Louisiana, Tampa, Florida, and Puerto Rico, to gather intelligence and coordinate Cuban refugee activities.

2. In late May or early June 1961 the CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL (CRC) was formed to coordinate and direct FRD activities and consequently was headed by Agency and White House sponsored Dr. Jose MIRO Cardona, assisted by Manuel ARTIME and Dr. Antonio VARONA. Both the FRD and the CRC continued to function until October 1961 when the FRD was completely absorbed by the CRC in order to avoid the confusion resulting from duplication of personnel, activities and funding. The CRC also had direct access to President Kennedy and top White House aides. Because of the magnitude of the FRD and CRC operations and the Agency participation in the activities and funding of the groups, a large number of JMAVE and Headquarters were directly involved with both FRD and CRC personnel.

THE [illegible] OF [illegible]

1. [illegible] propaganda organization [illegible] problems [illegible] has been [illegible] and is on a worldwide basis [illegible] for [illegible] political [illegible] organized [illegible] propaganda [illegible] New Orleans [illegible] Dr. [illegible] Orleans [illegible], and Howard E. [illegible] [illegible] correspondence with the organization [illegible] Cuba.

[illegible] Cuba [illegible] [redacted] [illegible] visit [illegible] dinner, [illegible] leaders [illegible] short [illegible] considerable interest in her appearance. [illegible] was particularly interested since it had distributed [illegible] of English and Spanish [illegible] containing her statements when she was [illegible]. In October 1960 [illegible] request [illegible] appear as a guest speaker in major [illegible] in connection with the release of the [illegible] production "[illegible]". Following [illegible] of the [illegible] decided the film would [illegible] and it would be inadvisable [illegible] CUTRO [illegible] the invitation. Because of [illegible] potential [illegible] CUTRO has wanted to [illegible] involvement between the [illegible] and [illegible] [redacted] [illegible] prevent [illegible] one [illegible] New Orleans [illegible] New Orleans [illegible] in the area [illegible] "[illegible]" film.

3. According to [illegible] indicate [illegible] they are [illegible] and di[illegible] [redacted] [illegible] is no indication [illegible] officials have had any official contact with Cuban officers.