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1. (U) Forwarded for your information are two Agent Reports (ARs) dated 18 and 19 June 1970. subject: AGUILAR, Manuel (NMV); DFOR- [redacted] The originals of these ARs have been furnished to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

2. (C) Aguilar may possibly be identifiable with the Manolo Aguilar named as representative of the Frente Revolucionario Anti-Comunista de Cuba in unnumbered report, FBI, Miami, Florida, 20 December 1963, subject: Movimiento Revolucionario Frank Pais. Roy Emory Hargraves is presumed to be the same individual named in unnumbered report, FBI, Miami, Florida, 5 April 1963, subject: 30th of November Revolutionary Movement; and report 97-406, FBI Miami, Florida, 29 April 1963, same subject.

3. (FOUO) Records of this office indicate that Jose (mex) Pujol, SSAN: [redacted]

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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AGENT REPORT
(AR 3 2-130, FM 30-17)

1. NAME OF SUBJECT OR TITLE OF INCIDENT AGUILAR, Manuel (NM)	2. DATE SUBMITTED 18 June 1970
DPOB: <input type="text"/>	3. CONTROL SYMBOL OR FILE NUMBER 062-28-2671

4. REPORT OF FINDINGS

(MISCELLANEOUS) On 17 June 1970, Manuel NM AGUILAR was interviewed at the Miami Field Office, Region III, 11th MI Group, Miami, Florida, regarding information HE volunteered concerning an anti-Castro Cuban exile group called Frente Revolucionaria Anti-Comunista en Cuba (FRACC) (Anti-Communist Revolutionary Front in Cuba), of which HE claimed to be a leader. AGUILAR, a jeweler employed by Kappy's Jewelry Store, 1423 Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, who resides at stated in substance as follows:

In approximately 1959, SUBJECT helped form FRACC in Cuba when it became known that the Castro regime was turning Communist. SUBJECT claimed that at that time HE was a member of Castro's Naval Intelligence. HE alleged that HE attempted to obtain help from the American Embassy, but the only help HE received was from a COL Samuel Louis Bouque (phonetic), then the US Military Attache, who made personal donations to FRACC but offered no official help. When SUBJECT could not obtain official aid, HE and the other members of FRACC went underground. Source declined to reveal the names of other persons in FRACC for fear of jeopardizing their security since some members were still in prison in Cuba. In approximately March 1961, SUBJECT escaped from Cuba when HE learned that HE was being investigated for subversive activities. Since coming to the US, HE has been working with about 50 persons living in various parts of the US in order to send aid to members of FRACC in Cuba. SUBJECT declined to reveal the names of these members in the US. As yet, FRACC has only been able to send very small amounts of aid to FRACC at sporadic intervals and through clandestine means. They do not have any stockpiles of arms or material and do not plan to initiate any action without the approval of the US Government. There is no formal organization of FRACC in the US; however, SUBJECT claimed that the FRACC members in the US could be organized and trained in a matter of four or five weeks to send supplies and arms to Cuba. SUBJECT believed that there were approximately 4,000 to 10,000 persons in Cuba who would support FRACC immediately if they had assurance that FRACC did, in fact, have supplies and the support of the US. SUBJECT claimed that HE was in contact with members of FRACC in Cuba (some still in prison and others in high positions within the Cuban military), NFI, who were awaiting support. SUBJECT had no definite military plans but believed that FRACC could overthrow the Castro regime from within, rather than by means of an invasion involving the US, if they had the proper supplies and support. SUBJECT was referred to the Miami Field Office by Roy Hargrave, presently a patient at Palm Springs General Hospital, 1475 W 49th Street, Hialeah, Florida. Through Hargrave, SUBJECT met an individual who claimed to be a Captain in the US Army Reserves, not further identified, who stated that he could train SUBJECT and the other members of FRACC.

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AGENT'S NOTES: The interview of SUBJECT was conducted in the Spanish language. HE appeared to be sincere, truthful and was completely cooperative throughout the interview.

5. TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT JOSEPH A. AGEZ HW 101 TO 11th MI Group (III) DAR 06287	6. SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT <i>Joseph A. Agez</i>
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AGENT REPORT
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4. REPORT OF FINDINGS

(MISCELLANEOUS) On 18 June 1970, Mr. Roy Emory Hargraves, who resides telephone and who was born was interviewed in his hospital room, 361B, Palm Springs General Hospital, 1475 49th Street, Hialeah, Florida, where he is in convalescence from a ruptured spine. Hargraves, who has known Manuel AGUILAR stated in substance as follows:

Source became interested in becoming a mercenary in 1961. He later came to Miami and was able to gradually work himself into the ranks of volunteer mercenaries within the area who wanted to go to Cuba to assist in the overthrow of the Castro regime. Hargraves met Gerald Patrick Hemming, whose present address is telephone

Hemming, referred to by Source as "Jerry", is presently the president of a Los Angeles Ironworker's Union but was, at the time, working for a private patrol agency or investigative agency out of Rosemead, California. The owner of the agency was FNU Moses. Jerry was the organizing force behind the volunteer military structures from 1962 to 1964. While working for Hemming, Source met Felipe Vidal-Santiago who had been the Chief of Maritime Police under Castro and later became the Military Attache to Columbia, South America. Santi go defected to the US in 1960. It was through Santiago, in 1961, that Source met SUBJECT who is also known as "Minola". According to Santiago, SUBJECT could be trusted, was level headed but was apt to disobey orders when HE felt that there was something more important to do. Santiago related that SUBJECT had worked for Raul Castro's right-hand man, a seven-foot Negro named Hector Aldamas. Following Santiago's defection to the US in 1960, he repeatedly sent money and supplies into Cuba by way of SUBJECT. SUBJECT was the contact man and was sending out reports, but suddenly, without warning, HE left the island and came to the US in 1961. HE was not known to lie about any matters, but Santiago believed HIS reports to be somewhat exaggerated.

Prior to working under Castro's administration, SUBJECT had spent nine years as a cell leader against the Batista regime. It was during this period that HE had organized a large group of persons who worked under HIS control. Source could not recall the name of the organization but submitted that the people who worked for HIM then are now some of the top officials in the Castro administration.

SUBJECT approached Source approximately four days ago (15 June 1970) and related that HE had a plan HE wanted to execute against Cuba. HE stated that HE had the organization and the people and that HE felt certain that HE could make it work. HE stated that HE wanted to take the plan to the "right"

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AGENT REPORT (AR 302-130; FI 30-17)	
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4 REPORT OF FINDINGS	
<p>people in order to obtain US support. HE related to Source that HE was willing to obtain certain items from within Cuba in order to prove HIS worth and ability. HE proposed to have some of the top officials defect to the US; the defection of the majority of a crew, to include the Captain, of a new KOMAR patrol boat; and the obtainment of the newest jet aircraft supplied to Cuba by the Soviet Union. In return SUBJECT wanted a guarantee that the persons coming out of Cuba would be free to remain active against Castro, as opposed to being sent into exile somewhere in the US. Additionally, SUBJECT wanted to retain the KOMAR for action against Cuba or be supplied with a vessel of similar features with which to operate. SUBJECT related that HE already has an island chosen to use as a base of operations, however, Source could not supply the name or location of the island. SUBJECT retains a strong feeling that if the people who defect to the US, during this demonstration of ability, are left to operate against Castro, then the people inside Cuba will rapidly join the movement. The defection of the KOMAR patrol boat, as well as the jet aircraft, can be accomplished in a matter of a few weeks. SUBJECT is simply waiting for the "green light" from someone in a high position.</p> <p>As an additional requirement SUBJECT stated that following HIS successful procurement of material and people, HE wanted a guaranteed pipeline of supplies and equipment from HIS base of operations to the guerilla units operating inside Cuba. Proposed methods of infiltrating the material into Cuba were described as beach landings, which would be simplified by the fact that SUBJECT has access to the patrol schedules of Cuban and Russian vessels operating around the Cuban mainland. Additionally, SUBJECT presently has people of the organization poised to sabotage radar installations along the Cuban coastline.</p> <p>In reference to the organization, allegedly active within Cuba as well as the US, and under the explicit control of SUBJECT, Source mentioned that "cells" were organized throughout Cuba as well as dispersed in the US. SUBJECT has maintained contact with all of the cell leaders by an unknown method. Names of the members could not be furnished; however, Source stated that he visited SUBJECT unannounced and met two individuals whose names he could not recall, however, he believed them to be members of Alpha 66. Source questioned SUBJECT concerning the men and Alpha 66, and SUBJECT stated that HE would not include them in any activity or proposed plans because HE knew that plans of Alpha 66, once formulated, were common knowledge in Cuba hours after the plans are conceived. Source believed the name of one of the individuals was Minola Roy. Source also believed that SUBJECT'S organization had a training area in the Dominican Republic.</p>	
5. TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT CHARLES N. PHILLIPS, 111th MI Group (III)	
6. SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT <i>Charles N. Phillips</i>	

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4 REPORT OF FINDINGS DOC. MICRO. SER.	
<p>In regard to training of personnel of the organization, Source stated that there was a Special Forces Captain by the name of Carl Hickey who was slated to assist in the training of the personnel. Hickey is in a reserve unit in the Miami area, exact location unrecalled, however, Hickey has called Source at least twice since Source has been in the hospital with questions as to when he can get started. Additionally, Hickey has mentioned that he would like to go on a "fishing trip" near Cuba; however, Source and SUBJECT have discouraged this since it would "blow" the entire operation if an American military type were caught and would also bring discredit on the US Government. Other than Hickey, there are two people in Hickey's unit who are also willing to assist and have made their desires known. Source gave the names as follows:</p> <p>SCT Gilbert (NFI), a reservist who is also a police officer, believed to be with the Copalocka Police Department</p> <p>2D LT Jose (NIN) Pujol, _____ 23 "D" Co (sic), Stu Bn T. S. B., Fort Benning, Georgia 3.905. Pujol is presently attending a school of some type at Fort Benning.</p> <p>Source provided the name of <u>Rosendo Duarte</u>, a one-time head of intelligence for one of the provinces in Cuba under Castro as a person that could lend credence to the worth of SUBJECT. Duarte is head of an organization called UNARE (NFI), located at PO Box 8020, Hollywood, California, telephone 469-0233, and is also an author of a series of books dealing with life in Cuba.</p> <p>Another person knowledgeable of SUBJECT'S ability is <u>Ivan Vidal-Santiago</u>, brother of Felipe Vidal-Santiago, who was killed in 1964. Ivan is presently located at _____</p> <p>Ivan also operates a "safehouse" for meetings located at 498 NW 23d Avenue, Miami, telephone 642-1894.</p> <p>Source mentioned as an aside that during the build-up of 1963, a number of volunteer civilians was making their way across the US into Florida. It was during this time that three individuals from California became known within his separate "clic". Source supplied the names as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Lorenzo Hall, probably located in California, possibly El Monte ✓ William Seymour, presently located in Tucson, Arizona ✓ Lawrence Howard, _____ <p>_____ <i>assassination</i></p>	
5 TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT CHARLES N. PHILLIPS, 111th MI Group (III) HUC 17270; DIR-06787	6 SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT <i>Charles N. Phillips</i>

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AGENT REPORT (AR 281-130; FM 30-17)	
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3. CONTROL SYMBOL OR FILE NUMBER [redacted] <i>mit with subject #1201-250411 in Texas</i> 062-28-2671	
4. REPORT OF FINDINGS <i>(201-289428) file to [redacted] assassination</i>	
<p>R According to Jerry Henning, both Howard and Hall met with Lee Harvey Oswald in Texas while enroute to Florida prior to the John Kennedy assassination. After President Kennedy was killed, Henning related to Source that he felt that the assassination was a Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) plot to do away with Kennedy since Howard and Hall were believed to have been connected with the CIA. Source, at a later date, confronted Howard with the question concerning his part in the alleged connection with the Kennedy assassination. Howard "clammed up" and became nervous concerning the matter and avoided the subject completely. Additionally, due to Source's long involvement with military civilian movements against Cuba, a man by the name of Steven J. Burton, who presently resides at [redacted] California, telephone [redacted] came to Source's home while he was living in California, following the Robert Kennedy assassination and displayed photographs of Sirhan B. Sirhan in efforts to make identification. Source was unable to make identification but stated that Burton was in the employ of Jerry Henning at the time.</p> <p>(1) AGENT'S NOTES: Source was completely cooperative during the interview and provided names, addresses, and telephone numbers from a small address book in his possession. He appeared to be somewhat self-centered and desired to talk more about himself than SUBJECT. As a spot-check for accuracy of information concerning individuals, the name and address of Steven J. Burton, listed above, was checked through the Los Angeles Field Office of the 115th MI Group. The North Hollywood telephone directory reflected a listing for <u>Bernard</u> Burton at 4139 Morella Avenue, telephone 766-1916. It is felt that Source was completely truthful in his answers and had strong feelings concerning the abilities of SUBJECT.</p>	
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5. TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT CHARLES N. PHILLIPS, 111th MI Group (III)	6. SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT <i>Robert [redacted]</i>

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