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Most mail sent to the 26th of July "operating group!

ARCOS requested Luis PEWZ in Mismi to send all money for the Movement to this address. This address is being covered by the LIMUD operation.

The telephone is sund promiscuously by members of the Soth of July Movement. On occasions, open code and encoded messages are passed by phone. On & August an encoded (number code) meanage was passed by phone from Miami to Mexico for further passing by radio to "Alex" (probably Fidel Alejandro CASTRO Ruz). On 5 August 1953, ARCM told Sergio VAROVA to use "guarded language" on the phone.

4. Operations:

On 2 August 1958, Gustavo ARCOS called Ricardo LORIE, telephone FM-1-2247, in Mismi. LORIE answered to name of "Luis FERFZ." AFCOS asked whether "Oscar" was there; LORIE said no. ARCG said that he had received word from "friends far away" (probably Cuba) and that the friends would give a definite answer very soon. ARX: wanted the ".auffeur" (probably pilot) (Oscar) to come that day. A regard to equipment ARCOS said that they have the things most difficult to get: the "impermeables" for protection-9 not at hand but available and they would soon have them. They have had the "other" for some time and have bought the "shock absorbers" and are just waiting for the right time to bring them.

LORIE said that "oscar" was not in town but that he would try to find him or someone else. ARCOS said he had received word from the "president of the corporation" (probably CASTRO) that he would be able to guarantee within a few hours or 2 or 3 days

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LORIE said that he would try to locate "Gener", but that they (in Hieri) are in the same position as APOC and that "becar" is working on that now. LORIE would try to solve the problem by finding someone class. ARCOS replied that "Occar" would be the best ran to come, since he knows the "car". Ficardo also said that they (in Simi) have what ARCOS was expecting to receive. (Possibly shock absorbers).

LORIE sers that "Oscar has already been going, but to the tother place", the place of the 'little brother." (probably area where Raul CASTRO is located). LCRIE said that they were waiting for them on the other side and on "this side" too. LORIE repeated that he would try to solve the - in a way from the parties the problem.

In a call from ARCOS to Sea. Parine GARCIA, in Mari (WE 5-5204) he tells her things are ready exempt the shock absorbers. He says that he has been in touch with "Alejandro" (probably Fidel Alejandro CASTRO Ruz) and he would notify cometime after the next to yours if he could make the same trip as "Fouchet", made without the same difficulties concerning the vehicle. (Probably plane). He is waiting for the guarantee that the vehicle could get in and out safely. ANNU explained that "Oscar" was the best ren, but he (AFOCS) wanted to use her influence and put pressure to get either "Ceenr" and the other person could come, so much the better, because they would have work to do preparing the webicle. Gus mentioned the good news in the paper that a heavyarmored vehicle had fallow into the hands of their people, and that their control of some "lower zones" would make it possible for them to make the trip. Gus said that all the "president" needs is personnel to operate the material. (Rest of conversation unintelligible).

5. Finance:

On 30 July 1958, about ready to leave for the bank, asked ARCOS if he needed any money. In a August, ARCO told Lais PREZ in Hami that he should read any money for the Chief July Movement to It is believed that Tecement is used to fund the 26th of July reverent in liexico. On a August Augus told Philing that the financial situation was poor and requested PREZ to send some money if possible.

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6. Travel:

- A. On 30 July an unknown Cuban told Orlando YETTURA Reyes ("El Chaparro") that he was leaving for Cuba sometime before 3 August 1958 and needed some money. The unknown person was told to pick up \$50 for the trip at ARCOS's spartment on 31 July 1958.
- B. On 30 July 1953, Melba de MIRET, wife of Pedro MIRET Prieto, told ARCOS that she received a letter from 7 who had arrived "there." This person wants ARCOS sidress so he can write to him. Melba tells ARCOS that he can write to this unknown person at 86-09 Northern Building, Jackson Heights, Long Island. This is now the address of Raquel Perez de MIRET, which was formerly woll 80th Street, Jackson Heights, Long Island. Pedro MIRET Prieto gave the latter address as his forwarding address on his trip to the States last April. There is possibility that Pedro MIRETPrieto has left Cuba and is now in New York.
- C. On 2 August, Manuel (Fernandez Torro) said he was leaving for the United States on 3 August. On 4 August Silvio PENA Perez said FEFANDEZ was expected to return on 5 or 6 August. The actual destination of FERNANDEZ is not known.
- C. On 2 August 1958 Hector GEIRICHAIA (see para 1) left Mexico for Tegucigalpa, Honduras, by TACA. (Airlists/LIFEAT). He planned to leave for San Pedro Sula on 3 August 1958. GEIRICHIAIA Planned to call the wife of Silvio FEMA upon arrival in Tegucigalpa.
- E. On 3 August Helia CALVO, Dominican (see para 2) left Mexico for Costa Rica, where she exceeded to aid the family of Julio Cesar MARTINEZ, Dominican, who was recently exiled to Panama from Costa Rica. CALVAO's expenses were paid by ARCOS, 1. e., 26 of July Movement.

6. -Material:

Arms and Ammition

On 31 July 1958 one Julio (lnu) told ARCOS that he had a fair amount of 60's and 80's that he needs. ARCOS insisted on knowing the price because if there were more than one hundred he should be able to get them at a discount.

(Julio may be have been referring to mortars--6-mm. and 80-mm.)

Recorders:

On 1 August 1958 Ing. Guillermo BERNANDEZ Mendoza of Roque International (radio supplies) told Silvió FENA that a recorder would be shipped from Oklahoma to Mismi on the 6th and would arrive in Ronduras about 15 August.

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7. Relations with the Mexican Government

On I August 1958 in regard to the case of Serglo VARMA, who was arrested by Gobernacion, ARTOR made the following comments to Teresa CASINO. ARTOR said he had thought of PAVON (fau) (Possibly Manuel PAVON Bahaine, who is one of four members of the Migration Commission of the Chamber of Senators. (see also HR4-A-7171, 19 June 1957)) as the person who can defend Cutens who have entered. Mexico as tourists but who are de facto extles; PAVON could seek exile status for them. Tete said that anylum had been requested for VENTURA and others and that it had been denied.

Only those who come out of the Maxican Embassy in Cuba are granted asylum, she said; any requests must be of a political nature and must be dealt with by "El Coronel." The Coronel could make a general ("political-type") request for Cubans who cannot afford 1,000 pesos to remain in Mexico as visitantes" for Hacienda to subsidize Cubans who stay as "visitantes," but this would mean a gigantic subsidy. Gustavo said that fortunately many whose paprs are not in order are leaving.

8. Propaganda

In addition to the operational aspect of the rebel radios in Nexico City, they also used to receive news reports from the Sierra Maestra. These reports from the scene, are then passed to Teresa "Tete" CASUSO who brings them to Manuel CAMUN, Mexican newspaperman, who has them published in Exselsior and its evening edition, Ultimas Roticias.

9. Keeting Place

The most popular meeting and eating place of the 26 of July "operating group" is "El Malecon," located on Venustiano Carranza #9, Mexico, D. F.

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