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TO : File
FROM : Chief, Alien Affairs Staff
SUBJECT: IANZ, Pedro Diaz

DATE: 10 July 1959

1. On 9 July 1959, Mr. Herbert D. Nice of the Immigration and Naturalization Service telephonically advised that the subject was under a subpoena to appear before the Senate Internal Security Committee and in the event it was desired by this Agency to contact the subject, such contact should be made through the Senate Committee. This fact was relayed to Mr. [redacted] of the WH Division, and he in turn received a direct confirmation of this fact from Mr. Herbert D. Nice telephonically.

2. On this date Mr. Joe Langan of the SSD contacted the writer and advised that he had been in turn contacted by Mr. [redacted] who raised the question as to the capability of the Office of Security, by surveillance or other means, to ascertain the address of the subject. Mr. Langan had informed Mr. [redacted] that although this Office has the capability, in view of the Congressional interest in this matter, no action would be taken without an extremely strong justification.

3. Subsequently, the writer was contacted by the Deputy Chief, Support Branch, on this same point and Mr. [redacted] was telephonically contacted by the writer. He stated that, with regard to his conversation with Mr. Langan, he was merely interested in ascertaining whether or not the Office of Security had the capability to surveil the subject and he did not intend that any further action would be taken in this regard. He declared that Col. J. C. King, WH Division Chief, would possibly discuss this matter with the DCI or Col. Edwards and it was understood by Mr. [redacted] that the DCI was not happy with the way General Swing had diverted the subject to the Internal Security Sub-Committee when, in fact, he was aware of the interest of the CIA in him.

4. At approximately 10:45 a.m., Col. Edwards was briefed generally with regard to the situation and mention was made to him of the fact that he might be contacted by the Chief, WH Division.

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