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SOURCE: A former Cuban IS officer who served with the Cuban Intelligence Service until April 1964.

Headquarters Comments

The following report is one of a series containing personality information provided by the source and includes supplemental information from the records of this Agency.

It is requested that the addressees take no action on any of the individuals mentioned in the personality reports without first checking with this Agency.

1. ²⁴ Source identified the name Rene DEPESTRE, a Haitian, from an [official] travel manifest. He advised that DEPESTRE and his wife, Edith, are living in Habana, where DEPESTRE is, in effect, a salaried employee of Radio Habana, broadcasting a program in Creole to the Haitian populace. Source was asked if he knew if DEPESTRE had a group of men for an invasion of Haiti; source advised that DEPESTRE had no invasion group, but believed that DEPESTRE was scheduled to accompany one Jean Norbert MONTERO to Oriente Province in January or February 1964 to scout the province for guerrilla trainee recruits, but source does not know if DEPESTRE actually went.

2. When queried regarding DEPESTRE's contacts in Moscow, source replied that he believed DEPESTRE had been in Moscow and, therefore, would presumably have contacts there; but source could not name any specific persons.

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