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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.

Although source recognized a photograph of Jose CASSA Lagrono, he could not recall any pertinent data concerning him. When this Agency's representative suggested to source that CASSA is a Dominican, source said he knew CASSA as a Cuban, rather than a Dominican, although the latter is not excluded. Source added, however, that if CASSA is a Dominican he would not have arrived in Cuba until after August 1963.1

Headquarters Comment:

- 1. According to available information Jose CASSA Lagrono was born on 22 June 1916 in Santo Domingo and is believed to be a Dominican citizen. He has been reported to be a member of the pro-Castro Agrupacion Politica Catorce de Junio (APCJ - 14th of June Political Group). According to a usually reliable source CASSA left Santo Domingo on 20 July 1963 for Panama City en route to Mexico City to go to Habana to attend the 26th of July celebrations in 1963. TDCS-3/554,908 reported that an [official] travel manifest revealed that CASSA

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was one of 20 Dominicans who left Mexico City, by air, for Habana on 26 July 1963. On 22 August 1963, it was reported that CASSA arrived in Rio de Janeiro, by air, on a chartered Cubana Airlines plane from Habana. (See TDCS-3/557,280). On 4 October 1963, he was arrested by the Dominican Police and was to be deported from the Dominican Republic. (see TDCS-3/561,119). On 10 October 1963 El Caribe, daily newspaper, reported that CASSA was deported on 9 October 1963 to Puerto Rico where he was detained by United States immigration authorities, but that he returned to Santo Domingo the same day. (see TDCS-3/561,495).

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