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Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE)
DDO files

- Three volumes DDO
- One pkg DCD documents
- One pkg loose documents
- Project files

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Volume I Oct 1960 - March 1962

Deletions - one sealed envelope FBI documents

① Draft - Toomey (name ^{only} pencilled on paper)

Subject: Letter from Alberto Muller to President Kennedy

P 1. Muller gained prominence in 1960 when he led demonstration of protest in laying of a wreath by Mikoyan on statue of Marti. He now heads DRE, a Miami-based exile organization created by CIA. Muller was infiltrated into Cuba on 19 Nov 1960 to carry on clandestine propaganda & political action among students. Work includes broadcasting, publication of student newspapers, ^(both clandestine) bombing for psychological effects & organization of student resistance. Most important accomplishment has been organization of a student strike which has caused GOC to take violent countermeasures.

A letter to Pres. Kennedy arrived in U.S. 7 Feb. to be delivered personally by 3 DRE members.

Similar letter also going to President Quadros of Brazil. Letter expresses aspirations of Cuban students for a truly democratic, social, economic & political betterment of Cuba. Letter appeals for understanding of DRE's revolutionary aims, for

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reorientation of Panamericanism toward a policy
of deeds in defense of liberty & justice.

② 22 June 1961 Cable OUT 68995 To:
from: Director

DRE now maintains a pool of capable &
qualified students available for 3-6 month
assignments in any given area. They are
experienced clandestine agents in Cuban struggle.
Capabilities include:

- act as authentic representatives of
Cuban struggle for progress but
against Communist tyranny;
- Establish local press, TV, Radio,
student, intellectual, professional
contacts;
- Plan, organize & participate in
anti-Communist activities as
CIA stations might direct;
- Counteract influence of Cuban
diplomatic establishment on
host populations.

Request stations indicate interest & maintain
cover mechanisms (i.e.)
available - also what avenue for contact, control or guidance.

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③ Dec. 5, 1961 Cable # UFGA-2783 to Chief - WH Division
From: COS/WAVE

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Report of interview with Elío Mas of DRE.

Mas said DRE entered CRC with aim of waging war against Castro but discovered Council members were more concerned with politics and quarreling among themselves, even to the point of creating internal problems within their own organizations.

④ 1-31 March 1962

Notes from WAVE monthly report.

DRE withdrew from CRC on 13 March 1962 because they felt Council was not carrying the war to Cuba.

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Volume II April - July 1962

Deletions - 2 sealed envelopes FBI documents.

No. Notes

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Volume III Aug 1962 - Dec. 1962

Deletions - on sealed envelope

FBI - 27 Aug 1962 #105-1360 S: DRE

29 Aug 1962 - #105-112934 S: Vicente Jose Santiago

Blanco Capote

① Dispatch 14 Aug 1962 UFGA-5219 to Chief: Task Force W

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From: COS/^{JM}WAVE

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Amepell Progress Report - July 1962
[Note: Amepell divided in two groups - Ambarbe ^{Muller's} (?)
and Ambute (DRE)]

Attachment A: ^{Soon after} ~~At the time of~~ Alberto Muller's arrest in Cuba, the DRE continued to be guided by CIA but resented its absolute control over them. CIA's inability to help Muller caused bitter criticism among DRE members. Control over DRE became superficial & material until late 1961 when time had worn away some of the shock & other activities were intensified. This resulted in higher morale & confidence in future support. Propaganda campaigns in support of Muller & Miguel Garcia saved them twice from the firing squad.

- ② Cable 25 Aug 1962 to Director from JM WAVE
Juan Salvat & other DRE members left Marathon Key on 24 August ~~at~~ in two vessels & fired on Hotel Rosita Hornedo & ^{Blanquita (correction cable)} Chaplin Theatre. Operation without knowledge or consent of CIA.
- ③ Dispatch 14 Sept 1962 UFGA-5728 to Chief Task Force W
From: JM WAVE.
Amepell Progress report for Aug 1962 indicates total monetary outlay by CIA for month was \$50,053.00 (Included Ambarbe & Ambute Sections)

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DCD documents - no notes
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Loose Documents

Deletions - one sealed envelope. FBI, 29 Aug 1957
105-1360 (Miami) S: Directorio Revolucionario (DR,
No. notes

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Operations Files

Volume II Sept 62 - Dec 62

Deletions - Four sealed envelopes. FBI - State
(State document ^{29 Oct 1962} included in one FBI folder) Bufile # 97-3400 ^{DRE}

① 8 Nov. 1962 Cable to Director from MWAVE

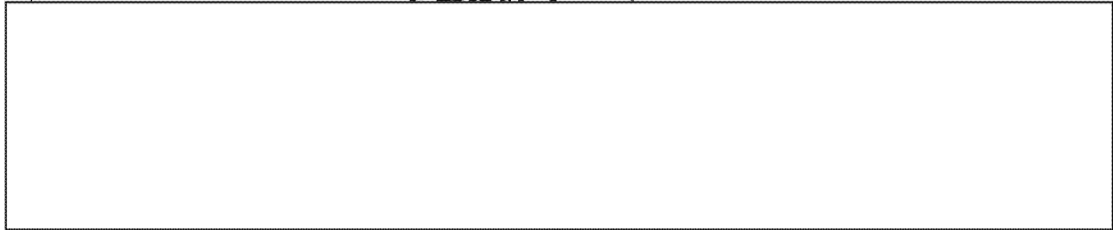
DRE experiencing friction with CIA & display
contempt for CIA & U.S. govt. Feel U.S. is a
weak, vacillating nation which does not understand
power or action. ~~the~~ Cable expresses opinion
that real potential of DRE is in psychological field,
which activity is least appealing to the group.
WAVE feels relationship with DRE disintegrating
& recommends early termination of AMSPELL project.

② 8 Dec. 1962. Memo. for - McGeorge Bundy from
Richard Helms, DDP

source in DRE says this
group preparing a letter for Pres. Kennedy that
they still expect him to "fulfill his promise to
liberate Cuba." Further will state that if steps are

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not taken by U.S. govt, the DRE "will act."
Assume this statement
DRE



try to dissuade DRE from sending letter.
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- ⑤ Volume I - Operations. Feb. 1960 - Aug 62.
Deletions - sealed envelopes.
Dept of State - one
FBI - one

① 20 July 1962 Dispatch to Chief Task Force W. from
COS/SMWAVE. UFGA-4840
Progress report of ^{ANSPELL (DRE TAMBARBS)} DRE activities June 1962 -
Activities focused on International Student
Conference at Quebec + the infiltration from
Cuba of AMHINT-53 who had infiltrated Cuba
on 20 May 1962.

② Undated statement. Subject: DRE
Stem 7 - The DRE is perhaps the most militant and
most deeply motivated of all the Cuban exile groups.
Is prone to undertake independent operations
without warning or permission of CIA. Control over
this organization does not exist. Monthly support
amounts to about \$22,000 for student operations in LA
and \$25,000 for salaries, office expenses, propaganda & training.
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Vol. III AMSPELL Production . no. notes DRE

Vol. IV DRE AMSPELL Support
28 Jan 1966
6 Feb 2, 1966. Dispatch to Chief WH from COS/JMWAVE
WFGA 24433.

JMWAVE conducting review of AMSPELL project
to analyze its short & long term potential.
Decision made to sharply reduce station support.
Many members have resigned. Station plans
now to give maximum \$1,000.00 monthly
support beginning Feb. 1966 mainly to finance
printing.

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JURE continued

Volumes I and II not applicable - DDO
checking - not delivered to HSCA researchers.

Volume VII

Deletions - sealed envelopes - Ten envelopes - all
FBI documents . . . FBI #105-1625 (Dallas) 4/5/66,
#105-114543 (BuFile) - Re: JURE.

Volume VIII

Deletions - Seven sealed envelopes all FBI documents.
① Intelligence Info. Cable 28 July 1965 #

Source

an

agency, but not CIA. Ray
again planning to enter Cuba. If he succeeds, he will
start a campaign to discredit the CIA, accusing it
of being responsible for delay in freeing Cuba.

② Field Information Report, 10 June 1966,

Subject: Alleged Plan of Members of JURE to
Assassinate Fidel Castro Ruz.

Source: Trained in collection of information; a friend
of Ricardo Morales Navarette.

Morales received a letter on 31 May 1966 from
an unnamed person in Puerto Rico who is
closely associated with JURE. Morales asked
to buy 2 machine guns of type used by personal
escort of Fidel Castro.

③ JURE file closed on 9 April 1968

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Jose Manuel Aleman
DDO - One pkg. DCD Documents

1. 2 June 1961 Cable to Miami
FBI has requested permission to contact
Aleman in Miami.

2. 15 Dec. 1960

To: Chief, Contact Division
From: Chief, Miami Field Office signed Justin J. Gleichauf
Subject: Memorandum of Visit to: Jose M. Aleman

3308 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, Fla.

1. Aleman recently arrived from Cuba & had a list
of war materials allegedly purchased by Castro
from Soviet Bloc Countries. On 13 Dec 1960, Luis C.
Rodriguez visited Aleman about this information.

2. Subject gave DPOB as 12/28/31, Havana, Cuba.

3. Is in Miami looking over property inherited
from his father who was Minister of Education in
Administration of Ramon Grau San Martin.

4. Aleman's father allegedly misappropriated about 60 million
from Public Treasury which he invested or deposited
in Miami. Subject inherited father's fortune & spent
a large amount supplying Castro with weapons &
equipment. After Castro assumed power, he confiscated
Aleman's estate in Cuba & his homes there have been

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repeatedly searched.

Aleman stated he has been furnishing local FBI with information concerning Cuban intelligence agents in this area.

Also supplied info to CIA about cases 34090 and 34196.

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