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Reference: HMMW-17142, 11 March 1969			
<p>1. Reference asked for any recent traces on Juan MIGUEL de MORA Vaquerizo (201-239192), and whether he might be a personal acquaintance of the former Mexican President, Adolfo LOPEZ MATEOS, in an effort to determine whether he might be the KGB agent, (inu) MORA, described by AEDONOR.</p> <p>2. A careful review of the Station file on Juan MIGUEL de MORA Vaquerizo (please note that it has been determined that Subject uses "MIGUEL" as his patronym) has failed to reveal any close connections with Mexican government personalities, or his appointment to Mexican government delegations (per Paragraph 3 of Reference). While Juan MIGUEL de MORA has been consistently pro-Leit, and anti-Mexican Government, and has had contact with Soviet Embassy officials in Mexico City, there has been no indication that he has any good high-level government connections (other than what might be routine press access). There was one meeting (reported in HMMA-13323, 17 July 1959) among MIGUEL de MORA, Pavel YATSKOV (201-120123), then stationed with the Soviet Embassy in Mexico; and a TDY Soviet (Mikhail Vesilyevich KREMNEV), in June 1959 which could be considered to have had some puzzling clandestine overtones; there is nothing else, however, to confirm that Juan MIGUEL de MORA is the KGB agent of the AEDONOR report. As for Juan MIGUEL de MORA's recent activities, reference is made to OFPA-88992, 15 January 1969; HMMA-36427, 11 February 1969; and OFPA-89615, 15 April 1969, which reveal that MIGUEL de MORA is currently residing in Paris and employed by French radio/TV (ORTF).</p>			
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3. On the other hand, a detailed review of the thick Station file on Dolores DE LA MORA Cepeda (201-823719) revealed several traces which seem to fit the description of Paragraph 3 of Reference, despite the assumption that the KGB agent referred to was a male. The following points, which in the Station's opinion make Dolores DE LA MORA a far more credible candidate as the KGB agent, are offered for Headquarters consideration:

a. Dolores DE LA MORA Cepeda is (or was at the time) director and owner of "Nueva Provincia," a newspaper in Lagos de Morenos, Jalisco, single and described as the youngest director of a newspaper (UGFA-12768, 6 December 1963). She was also described as a former candidate for deputy from the Third District of Jalisco (HMM-5853, 24 August 1961). More recently she has been writing articles for "El Dia," "Siempre," and "Sucesos Para Todos," all well-known leftist publications. (See MEXICO CITY 1175, 21 April 1967, and MEXICO CITY 2154, 17 July 1967). In January 1965, DE LA MORA married Luis SANCHEZ ARREOLA, Information Chief of "El Dia," but per LISAMPAN, 14 March 1968, she was divorcing her husband.

b. Dolores DE LA MORA has had close contacts with Cuban Embassy officials and has made several trips to Cuba (she has also bragged about her friendship with Fidel CASTRO--see below) since 1961. Although she is known to be friendly with the Cuban Ambassador (previous and present), it should be noted that her most frequent contacts in the past, per LIENVOY, have been Ramon SINOBAS (201-334249), Reynaldo CEPEDA (201-776733), and Manuel VEGA Perez (see MEXI 5052, 17 June 1963), all known Cuban intelligence officers.

c. Similarly, DE LA MORA has had continuing overt (per LIENVOY) contact with Czech Embassy officials, again identified intelligence officials. The first recorded contact was with Jiri SVESTKA (201-285441), Czech Consul, in August 1961; she apparently took up with SVESTKA's successor, Lubomir BLAZIK (201-206043), and with SVESTKA's return (replacing BLAZIK), has once again resumed her friendship with him. She was also in contact with Czeslaw LIMONT (201-755916), former Second Secretary in the Polish Embassy and known UB officer. However, it is curious to note that through all the years of overt regular contact with such Cuban and Bloc officials, there has been a noticeable absence of similar regular overt contacts with Soviet officials.

d. Several reports in December 1960-February 1961 involve Dolores DE LA MORA with Manuel MARCUE Pardinias, leftist publisher, and his wife, and Luis MONTER Valenzuela. According to the reports, Dolores used her influence in obtaining printing paper from the Mexican government-controlled agency (under the guise of buying it for her own Jalisco publication) for MARCUE Pardinias' leftist publication, "Politica." (NOTE: Luis MONTER Valenzuela is the brother of Ulises MONTER Valenzuela [201-823719] who has been of SB interest.)

e. Dolores DE LA MORA, despite her known leftist contacts, apparently has had some good high-level Mexican government connections. Per LIENVOY reports, she has been referred to as a relative ("pariente") of Francisco GALINDO Ochoa, prominent PRI official, who, until February 1968 when he was allegedly forced to resign by President DIAZ ORDAZ, was the Presidential Press and Public Relations Officer. Also according to LIENVOY, Subject has been extremely friendly with Julio SCHERER Garcia, currently Director General of "Excelsior," one of Mexico City's largest daily newspapers.

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f. Memorandum for the Record dated 10 September 1962 by Willard C. CURTIS contained the following information on Dolores DE LA MORA as reported by LIENVOY-2: DE LA MORA "from Guadalajara, tried to get a job in the Presidencia, but President LOPEZ MATEOS, despite her 'high recommendations' personally decided against having her work there. She then tried to get a job in Social Security with COQUET. He also turned her down. She is now 'violently anti-Government'."

g. LITALUS-2 (a LITEMPO agent who was assigned to keep Dolores DE LA MORA under surveillance at the time) reported on 29 October 1962 that Dolores DE LA MORA was a close friend of Luz Maria ZAPATA Vela and also that she was the mistress of the Mexican Senator, Manuel MORENO SANCHEZ. (NOTE: Luz ZAPATA Vela, sister of the current Mexican Ambassador to the USSR, Carlos ZAPATA Vela, was used as an accommodation address by KGB officer Stanislav SYCHEV [201-326963] while on TDY in Quito, Ecuador [QUITO 1436, 28 May 1968].)

h. LITAMIL-9 reported on 3 January 1963 (sent Headquarters as attachment to HMMA-20546, 22 January 1963) that Dolores DE LA MORA told him that President LOPEZ MATEOS was "always asking her to tell him more about Fidel CASTRO." She also said she was leaving Mexico (for Cuba--LITAMIL-9 was at the airport to see her off) without her parents knowing it as they were not in favor of her friendship with CASTRO. LITAMIL-9 also reported on 21 January 1963 that Subject had told him she was to be given a diplomatic post in the next regime. (Of course, some of DE LA MORA's statements may represent braggadocio on her part for LITAMIL-9's benefit but undoubtedly, there was some truth to her claims of friendship with CASTRO and acquaintance at least with former President LOPEZ MATEOS.)

i. LITAMIL-9 also subsequently reported on 24 February 1963 that he had "bumped into" DE LA MORA on 23 February 1963 and she told him that her uncle, (inu) DE LA MORA, an architect married to a "White Russian" named "Tatiana," wanted to talk to LITAMIL-9 about a Cuban/Mexican cultural exchange. A check of Station files reveals that Subject's uncle is Enrique DE LA MORA y PALOMAR and his wife is Tatiana ASKINAZY DE LA MORA, both August 1918 in Russia. They reside at Cerrada de la Cerca 62, San Angel, Mexico City. Tatiana has in the past worked at the Ibero-American University and has been noted per LIENVOY for her contacts with Svyatoslav KUZNETSOV (201-087222). (See the SPR on KUZNETSOV, HMMA-32689, 3 August 1967.) A Station Memorandum for the Record on Tatiana Askinazy DE LA MORA dated 11 July 1967 notes that Tatiana, her husband, and her mother, Anna Dmitriyevna ASKINAZY, had all been known socially to Jonathan L. WEENING. Although the DE LA MORA's contacts with the Soviet Embassy were known, WEENING at the time rated Tatiana and her husband as most likely apolitical/intellectual.

j. According to LIENVOY on 15 November 1967, Dolores DE LA MORA told Jiri SVESTKA, Czech Consul, that she was about to leave on a trip to Caracas, Venezuela, as the "minister had named her his representative" there. Other LIENVOY reports of 1 November 1967 indicate that DE LA MORA was probably referring to the Mexican Minister of Education, Agustin YANEZ, and on 14 December 1967, per LIENVOY, DE LA MORA told the Cuban Ambassador in Mexico that she had just returned from a trip to South America where she "represented the Minister."

Carlos ZAPATA Vela (201-109612)

ZAPATA's sister, Luz Maria ZAPATA Vela, is also friend of Dolores DE LA MORA (201-326963) who is possible candidate for ACDWNER

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