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SUBJECT ACTIVITIES OF THE FRENTE REVOLUCIONARIO DEMOCRATICO, ANTI-CASTRO ORGANIZATION	**DATE DISTR.**	7 SEPTEMBER 1960
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1. IN CONNECTION WITH PLANS FOR ALL ANTI-CASTRO REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS TO

TRANSFER TO LATIN AMERICA TO START ACTION AGAINST THE CASTRO GOVERNMENT, THE

FRENTE REVOLUCIONARIO DEMOCRATICO (FRD, DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTIONARY FRONT) IS TRYING

TO PERSUADE THE APPROPRIATE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT MINISTRY TO GRANT VISAS TO THOSE

CUBANS IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD WHO WISH TO GO TO MEXICO. THE FRD HAS RECENTLY

STRENGTHENED ITS LEADERSHIP BY RECRUITING RAFAEL SARDINAS, WELL-KNOWN MEMBER OF

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ESTATE OWNERS AND FARMERS. SARDINAS IS EXPECTED TO

ARRIVE SOON IN MEXICO. OTHER FRD LEADERS WERE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN MEXICO ON

20 AUGUST. MANUEL ANTINE IS ALREADY IN MEXICO CITY.

2. THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE PROPAGANDA ORGANIZATION CONTROLLED BY THE FRD WILL

BE IN MEXICO. IT WAS HOPED THAT AFTER ADOLFO LOPEZ MATEOS, PRESIDENT OF MEXICO,

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SPOKE ON 1 SEPTEMBER 1960 THE FRD WOULD BE ABLE TO INTENSIFY ACTION AGAINST FIDEL

CASTRO AND THAT THOUGH THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT ATTACK CASTRO HIMSELF IT

WOULD NOT SUPPORT HIM. THIS, IN EFFECT, WOULD SIGNIFY OPEN TOLERANCE OF THE

ANTI-CASTRO CAUSE.

3. THERE IS A DEEP DIVISION BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE CASTRO ARMY AND THE

MILITIAS. THE FRD INTENDS TO EXPLOIT THIS SITUATION IN ITS FUTURE PLANS.

(HEADQUARTERS COMMENT. AN UNTESTED SOURCE REPORTED ON 2 AUGUST 1960 THAT THE

CONFLICT BETWEEN THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY AND THE MILITIAS IS WELL KNOWN BY THE

PUBLIC. THE ARMY MUST WORK LIKE DAY LABORERS IN THE MOST ISOLATED, UNCOMFORTABLE,

AND UNHEALTHFUL PLACES IN CUBA, WHILE THE MILITIAS ARE IN CHARGE OF THE PEOPLE

AND ARE FLATTERED AND CAJOLED BY THE GOVERNMENT).

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