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- member of BRAC

- fled Cuba 1 Jan 1959

- ~~late Sep 195~~ 2 Oct 1959 - received orders from Batista by Jose Suarez Nunez to immediately attempt to consolidate whatever anti-Castro forces he is able for a move against Castro with a particular cited condition,

6- Miranda Fernandez -

8 March 1961 Admitted in 1959 & 1960 had furnished aid directly to Rolando Masferrer. Now providing aid & assistance to his former military regiment who are still in Cuba working against Castro. He thinks group is associated @ FRD.

X 7- ~~Dispatch to Chief, FRD From C/S [redacted]~~  
Cable to Director From [MASH] MASH 0828

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Sept 27, 1960

"1. FBI has advised of approach made to Frank Fiorini for procurement of two MIG aircraft which would be brought to states by one Czech and one Cuban pilot. Approach made by Norman Rothman who is hood indicted for gun running and stolen bonds currently out on \$50,000 bond." 2. "FBI contact felt Rothman interest was straight profit motive or hope for favorable treatment re above rap. Contact stated no chance whatever latter and that had advised Fiorini that FBI could not handle such a deal but would pass to other

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8. "As of December 1960, Rothman was living in Dallas, Texas.

- memo from  
taken. No. 1 - hand  
written notes.

12 - memo for Deputy Chief - WH Division from [Clark W. Simmons] <sup>3</sup>  
re meeting with Norman Rothman & David M. McConnell  
dated June 30, 1961

met @ Rothman and McConnell on 29 June 1961 in office  
of Deputy Atty Gen. to evaluate "Rothman's claim to  
operational assets inside Cuba and elsewhere in the  
Caribbean area. <sup>4-6:30</sup> ~~6:30~~ P.M. Agreed that R would return

to Miami on Friday 30 June, and Mr. McConnell  
would phone [Simmons] <sup>[3]</sup> on July 5 for evaluation of <sup>3</sup>  
"Rothman's operational potential in Cuban affairs."

McConnell spoke to [Simmons] <sup>[3]</sup> privately. McConnell described <sup>3</sup>  
himself as a "leading political figure in the Democratic Party machine in  
N. Carolina," that he was "acquainted @ Rob. Kennedy, Gen. Taylor, Gen. Van  
Fleet.", corporate tax lawyer's concerned over embarrassment to the  
Kennedy administration caused by the Cuban "fiasco." McConnell stated  
that Rothman claims to have assets and capabilities which would enable  
Rothman to destroy the arms dumps on the plantation of ex-pres. Cardenas  
of Mexico, to set up operational bases in the Yucatan at a cost of \$50 -  
\$1,000, to sabotage targets in Cuba identified by the U.S. gov't,  
and to provide positive intelligence on the activities of Chinese Communist  
groups in the Western Hemisphere."

Rothman stated @ Castro had executed 3 of his close friends:  
Rogelio Gonzalez; Sori Marin; Efigenio Fernandez.

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