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TO : Ch/SB/1
Att: Mr. Fred Bucci

DATE: 21 Sept 1960

FROM : Ch/SB/3

SUBJECT: CHRIST, David
(Live Address - Westchester County)
#43872

On 16 September 1960 SAC/MFO was telephonically advised that SUBJECT was one of several Americans reportedly arrested in Havana, and in anticipation of publicity in the local newspapers, including mention of the ostensible residence of "Daniel CARSWELL", - a live address in Eastchester set up by MFO - requested to have Mr. (Barry), the live addressee, briefed with details of the SUBJECT'S cover story, procured from Dick Biladeau, CCD/HOC. In some minor details this story differs from that supplied by Jack Kennedy, JMARC, who requested the live address.

MFO was advised that GOLIATH employment or interest in SUBJECT was not to be indicated to (Barry), and advised that this cover story was applicable if the publicity identified SUBJECT in his pseudo identity. In the event of true name identification and employment by the Cubans it was explained thatfurther instructions would have to be given, since the matter of acknowledgement of these individuals in such case was for presidential decision, reportedly being made on 6 Sept.

Per Biladeau, SUBJECT, as "CARSWELL" is a production management consultant, employed since May 1960 by Victor A. VACHUTA and Associates, 576 5th Avenue, NYC. Prio to this he had worked in a similar capacity for the Air Force and had been stationed abroad extensively. He has been on vacation from Vachuta since 2 September. Biladeau advised that the Vachuta employment is backstopped by a telephone answering service arrangement, which has been instructed similarly to acknowledge SUBJECT in the event of inquiry.

Subjequent information from Joe Langan, JMARC Security Officer explains why SUBJECT was backstopped thru JMARC to the extent he was, and the other two TSD technicians were not. The operation on which they were sent to Havana was an AMHARVEST one, under FE direction. On his own initiative Christ checked with Langan, was briefed and backstopped. The other two never passed through JMARC, orders cut, briefings handled, etc., by FE.

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