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TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attention: Mr. S. J. Spich

VASZ : Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: Rogelio MONTENEGRO Guasp

1. The following information was received in early May 1961 by a representative of this Agency from Vladimir KORNICHI, Sabera, a former Cuban IS officer who served with the Cuban Intelligence Service up to April 1961. The information which he has provided to Cato has proved to be reliable:

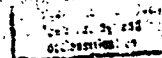
a. Rogelio MONTENEGRO Guasp is the "director de politica regional de zona occidental" in the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a post to which he was rather recently named. Prior to being named to this post, MONTENEGRO obtained all Cuban passports issued in false names for the Direccion General de Inteligencia (DGI - General Directorate of Intelligence) agents and guerrilla warfare trainees. It is possible that he will continue to handle the furnishing of such passports in his new post.

b. MONTENEGRO knows all the DGI personnel and frequently visited the chief of the DGI, Manuel PINILLO. He probably is a DGI officer assigned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; but, if not, he is at least completely witting of DGI operations.

c. MONTENEGRO is a cousin of Ramon VASQUEZ Montenegro.

2. The records of this Agency reveal that in a document dated 28 April 1959 there was included a list of persons who were aboard the fishing vessel MAYANI when it landed near Manzanillo, Playa Colorado, San Blas Territory, Panama, on 25 April 1959. One Rogelio MONTENEGRO, possibly identical with MONTENEGRO above, was one of the persons included on

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the list. The source of the information is not known; however, newspaper accounts have substantiated the information.

3. Rogelio MONTENEGRO Guest, presumably identical with Rogelio MONTENEGRO Gussay above, a Cuban diplomat, arrived in Santiago, Chile, on 20 February 1963 from Mexico; he carried diplomatic passport 61/100. This information was received on 3 March 1964 by a representative of this Agency from an official liaison service. *05*

4. In a Bureau report dated 29 October 1962, New York, New York, the name Rogelio MONTENEGRO Gussay, Cuban Counselor, was mentioned as an individual intending to apply for travel to the United States on 28 or 29 October 1962. This Agency would appreciate receiving pertinent additional information the Bureau may have on MONTENEGRO.

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