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Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA NEUTRALITY ACT

Synopsis: MM T-1, another government agency, furnished information regarding location of boats of SNFE, and identity of SNFE members who may have participated in recent raid by SNFE against Tarara, Havana. Two SNFE boats located in yard between 550 and 560 N.W. 31st Street, as of 6/15/63. SNFE maintains account at the Boulevard National Bank, Miami. Transactions recorded to this account set forth. MM T-5 advised SNFE has signed unity agreements with Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP), Movimiento de Recuperacion Revolucionaria (MRR), 30th of November Movement, as well as several other smaller groups, making a total of eleven. Also stated SNFE is about to sign a unity pact with the Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE).

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DETAILS:

I. ACTIVITIES

MM T-1, another government agency which conducts personnel and intelligence investigations, made available information on June 4, 1963, which was dated May 31, 1963,

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which related that as of May 28, 1963, two boats, believed to have been used in the recent raid on Tarara in the Province of Havana, by the SNFE, were at 552 N.W. 31st Street, Miami, Florida. One of the vessels, a V-20 with Volvo-Penta engines, was freshly painted white. The hull had been blue. It was also related that JULIO CRUZ; one CRUZ, first name unknown and not related to JULIO, and the mechanic who has his shop at the location of the above mentioned boats, had been identified as participants in this raid, according to the source of MM T-1, who was described as a United States citizen [REDACTED] [S] who obtained the information from personal observation, and from contact with an unidentified exile with excellent contacts among exile action groups. This source also stated that AMAURI FRAGINAL, a former labor leader in Cuba, was reportedly a leader and financial supporter of the SNFE.

On June 7, 1963, MM T-2 made available information reflecting that AMAURY FRAGINALS was connected with the SNFE.

As of June 15, 1963, both of the boats mentioned above were observed in the area to the rear of the apartments located at 550 and 560 N.W. 31st Street. One of these boats, bearing Florida registration FL 8694E, has a wooden hull badly in need of repainting. The superstructure of this boat has just been repainted dark blue, and the boat has a single outboard motor. Work was in progress on the white hull, mentioned above, as of June 15, 1963.

Regarding JULIO CRUZ mentioned above, it is

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 noted that JULIO CRUZ PEREZ, a member of the SNFE, was interviewed on May 29, 1963, at which time he denied he had been a participant in the raid against Tarara, Havana, Cuba, which took place on May 19, 1963.

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RENE CRUZ PEREZ, not related to JULIO CRUZ, mentioned above, is known to be a member of the SNFE.

Regarding the mechanic mentioned above, it is noted that MM T-2, who is in a position to furnish information regarding certain activities at 115 S.W. 12th Avenue, Miami, the headquarters of the SNFE, made available a list of names and addresses on letterheads of the SNFE. Among the names included on these letterheads was ERNESTO DIAZ, 552 N.W. 31st Street.

It is noted that the apartment located at 550 N.W. 31st Street, Miami, also bears the number 552 on the rear apartment, as well as the name DIAZ over the doorbell. The electric power tools being used for work on boats in the yard to the rear of this apartment, were being operated on power drawn from the apartment numbered 552.

On June 12, 1963, a woman who identified herself as Senora DIAZ, advised ERNESTO DIAZ was not in the apartment at that time, having gone to see a doctor.

II. FUNDS

It is noted that on June 3, 1963, MM T-3, an American citizen who has frequent contact with SNFE members in Miami, advised the SNFE maintains a bank account at the Boulevard National Bank, 5000 Biscayne Boulevard,

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under the title "PEREZ - ABREU - VECIANA, Associates."

On June 10, 1963, MM T-4 made available the records of the Boulevard National Bank, pertaining to the account of PEREZ - ABREU - VECIANA, Associates, which revealed the following:

The account #46-231-4 was opened with a deposit of \$2,000 cash on May 6, 1963. It was identified as a social association with mailing address at 2921 N.E. Second Court, Miami.

The following checks had been drawn on this account as of June 10, 1963:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Payors</u>
5/21/63	\$85.	SANFORD CLOSE	ANTONIO VECIANA and REINALDO ABREU <i>FL</i>
5/28/63	200.	RAMON GONZALEZ (deposited at <u>Florida National Bank</u>)	" " "
5/30/63	147.10	West Indies Travel Service	ANTONIO VECIANA and LINO PEREZ
6/4/63	36.11	CHAS. S. MEYERS, Inc., typewriters	" " "
6/5/63	118.	IGNACIO MARTINEZ	ANTONIO VECIANA and REINALDO ABREU

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Payors</u>
6/5/63	\$1,500.	REINALDO ABREU	ANTONIO VECIANA and REINALDO ABREU

The following deposits were listed as of June 10, 1963:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Deposit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5/6/63	Cash	\$2,000.
6/4/63	Numerous checks	1,733.
6/5/63	Check drawn on Northwest National Bank of Chicago	1,250.
6/7/63	Numerous checks	2,185.

The balance in the account as of June 7, 1963 was \$5,554.48, less the \$1500. check to ABREU.

On June 11, 1963, MM T-4 made available the following information:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Payors</u>
6/5/63	\$5.	ARMANDO RUIZ	ANTONIO VECIANA and REINALDO ABREU
6/10/63	30.	ANTONIO VECIANA	ANTONIO VECIANA and LINO PEREZ

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Date	Amount	Payee	Payors
6/5/63	\$119.	GERVASIO RIVERO (For deposit only to account of Standard Oil Company - SS 70- C29)	ANTONIO VECIANA and LINO PEREZ
6/10/63	30.	LINO PEREZ	" " "
6/5/63	1,000.	ANTONIO VECIANA	ANTONIO VECIANA and REINALDO ABREU
6/5/63	74.60	Keystone Press of Miami	" " "

There was a deposit of \$64.50 to this account on June 10, 1963, consisting of numerous small checks, ranging in amounts from \$1 to \$10.

MM T-4 advised on June 10, 1963, that although this account was described in the application as a social organization, to his knowledge it was the account of the SNFE and Operation Alpha 66. He said the account was opened by ANTONIO VECIANA, a former Havana accountant.

ANTONIO VECIANA is publicly known as an officer in the SNFE.

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Information furnished by MM T-4 is confidential and can only be made public following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum. CARLOS J. ARBOLEYA, Cashier, Boulevard National Bank is the person to be subpoenaed.

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On June 11, 1963, it was ascertained through inquiry of the Standard Oil Company, 1000 N.W. 73rd Street, that the number SS70-C29 was a service station of the Standard Oil Company, located at 4420 N.W. 7th Avenue.

Concerning the name LINO PEREZ mentioned as a co-signer on some of the above mentioned checks, it is noted that on May 16, 1963, JOAQUIN GODOY, in charge of foreign affairs and public relations for the Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP), furnished the names of the MRP leaders in the Miami area. Listed as Treasurer of the MRP is LINO PEREZ. *FL*

On June 11, 1963, MM T-4 made available photo-stats of the two largest deposits made to the account PEREZ - ABREU - VECIANA, Associates. One of these checks was dated June 3, 1963 on the Northwest National Bank of Chicago in the amount of \$1,250. payable to ALPHA 66 - MRP - II FRENTE. The signatures of the payors were not legible but stamped on the check was the name ALPHA 66 - MRP - II FRENTE, 1705 or 1706 N. Talman, Chicago 17, Illinois. The other check was dated May 31, 1963, payable to ALPHA 66 in the amount of \$1,600. It was drawn on a check of the Hudson Trust Company, Union City-Hoboken, New Jersey and payor was BRAULIO VALLARREAL. *NOTE*

III. UNITY.

MM T-5, a member of the SNFE, advised on June 15, 1963 that the SNFE had signed unity pacts with the MRP, the MRR, the 30th of November Movement, as well as with a number of smaller and less significant anti-CASTRO

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groups. He stated that the total number of groups involved in this unit now number eleven. MM T-5 advised that the SNFE - ALPHA 66, is ready to sign a unity pact with the DRE.

MM T-5 stated that ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, leader of the SNFE, has been in New York City for approximately the past month but is due to return to Miami within the coming week.

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INTERNAL SECURITY - REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA
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Reference report of Special Agent WILLIAM MAYO DREW, dated and captioned as above.

Insufficient contact has been had with MM T-2, MM T-3, MM T-4 and MM T-5, to make a determination as to reliability, but all are in a position to furnish reliable information.

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