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Fernando Acosta
Veteran operative in anti-Castro operations and major narcotics dealer. Possible knowledge of Castro assassination attempts involving organized crime figures and association with Jack Ruby. (Raiford)

Richard K. Agnew
Former manager of Marathon Airport and has had frequent intelligence agency associations. Reportedly has photos of activities at No Name Key, possible Oswald contact. (Key West)

Andres Rivero Aguera
Former Batista associate and close friend of Carlos Prio. Possible knowledge of Prio's associations and operations with possible links to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Manolo Aguilar
Associate of No Name group, head of Frente Revolutionaria Anti-Communist (FRAC). Involved with Loran Hall. Possible knowledge of Hall association with Oswald. (Miami)

Duney Perez Alama
Associate of Manuel Artime, member of Student Revolutionary Director, probable associate of Carlos Bringuier. Possible knowledge of Oswald relationship to associates. (Miami)

Jose Aleman
Involved in AMLASH! Castro assassination attempt. Veteran intelligence agency operative. Reportedly told by Santo Trafficante that Kennedy was going to be assassinated.

Gus Alex
Associate of Chicago Mafia family with interest in nightclubs and vending machines companies. Possible knowledge of Jack Ruby association with organized crime. (Ft. Lauderdale.)

Angelo Ali
Attorney and close friend of Santo Trafficante. May have knowledge of Trafficante reputed knowledge of Kennedy's assassination prior to the event.

Anselmo Alliegro
Close associate of Jerry Patrick Hemming and Loran Hall. Active in intelligence activities related to anti-Castro operations. Son of Batista's finance minister and Lucky Luciano's Cuban attorney. Possible knowledge of C.I.A. relationship with organized crime. (Miami)

Vincenzo Alo
Top associate of Santo Trafficante. Probable knowledge of Ruby connection to organized crime, Havana operations and Castro assassination attempts. (Miami)

Eleno Oviedo Alvarez
Member No Name Key group (Miami)

Remigio Arce
Member No Name Key group. (Miami)

Manuel de Armas
Self-proclaimed C.I.A. agent who defected to Cuba, returned and was arrested as suspect in Masferrer murder. Possible knowledge of Masferrer connections to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Manuel Artime
Selected by the C.I.A. as Cuban leader of the Bay of Pigs 2506 Brigade. Very close friend of E. Howard Hunt. Involved in Castro assassination attempts. Possible knowledge of various phases of Oswald and Ruby contacts with Cuban individuals and group. (Miami)

Fred B. Asche Jr.
Former husband of Barbara Moody. Possible association with organized crime figures with possible association with Ruby.

Dr. Manuel Avella
Involved in current anti-Castro activity, associate of Orlando Bosch and Veciana associate Luis Posada. Reportedly identified a Castro G-2 agent in Dealey Plaza on November 22, 1963. (Miami)

Luis Balbuena

Involved in Castro assassination attempt. Probable link to Naval Intelligence. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro operations involving associates of Morris Bishop. (Miami)

Fernando Fernandez Barcena

Probable C.I.A. operative (re doc. 12-28-512), associate of No Name Key group, Possible knowledge of International Anti-Communist Brigade operations and possible contact with Oswald. (Miami)

Bernard Barker

Veteran intelligence agent. Close associate of E. Howard Hunt. Former consultant on counter-insurgency to Cuban police. Active in Cuban Revolutionary Council prior to Bay of Pigs. Key liaison with all Cuban groups, including those reporting contact with Oswald. Reportedly involved in planned Castro assassination attempt from Nicaragua (Second Naval Guerilla). (Miami.)

Augustin Barres

Former business partner of Antonio Veciana. Possible contacts with organized crime and narcotics. Possible association with intelligence agency involvement to destroy Veciana's credibility. (Puerto Rico)

William Barry

Former investigator in Garrison probe. Has extensive knowledge of all phases of possible Cuban involvement in Kennedy assassination and possible connections with intelligence operations. (Miami)

Donald Bartone

Associate of Mitchell WerBell. Possible knowledge of Ruby connection or organized crime associates and gunrunning operations. (Miami)

Ruth Bastholm

A friend of Lillian Spingler who was told of Martinez incident prior to Kennedy assassination. Requires confirmation of details. (Miami)

Laureano Batista

Former chief of Cuban Christian Democratic Movement, associate of Mario Garcia Kohly (friend of Richard Nixon) and Carlos Bringuier. Involved in Castro assassination attempt in 1961. Extensive questioning required regarding all activities. (Miami)

John H. Bennett

Reportedly among passengers on bus who departed Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, with Oswald on October 5, 1963. (Miami) (re Vol. XXIV, 612; CD 87)

Donald Berg

Real estate promoter, business associate of Bebe Rebozo, associated with front for national crime syndicate and Meyer Lansky. Possible knowledge of relationship with organized crime, intelligence agency and Howard Hughes organization. (Miami)

Paul Bethel

Former press attache, American Embassy in Havana. Closely associated with members of intelligence agencies. Co-founder of Citizens Committee for a Free Cuba. Possible association with anti-Castro groups involving Oswald contact, possible knowledge of Oswald associate Morris Bishop. (Miami)

Juan Francisco Blanco-Fernandez

Member Student Revolutionary Directorate (DRE). Possible knowledge of associate Carlos Bringuier relative to contact with Oswald. (see CD 87) (Miami)

David Blutworth

State Attorney for Palm Beach County. Holds original documents and material found in the possession of George DeMohrenschildt. (Palm Beach)

Richard Booth

Attorney for key leaders of No Name Key group. (Miami)

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Jim Braden
Also known as Eugene Hale Brading. Questioned on scene of Kennedy assassination. Requires extensive questioning relative to all aspects of association with organized crime operations, intelligence agency connections and possible association with Kennedy assassination. (Atlanta)

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D. E. Browder
Associate of Norman Rothman, Meyer Lansky associate. Possible knowledge of Ruby connection to organized crime and relationship with Carlos Prio. (Miami)

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James & Jerry Buchanan
Brothers, close associates of Frank Fiorini Sturgis involved in anti-Castro activity. Reported knowledge of Oswald in Miami active with pro-Castro groups. Jerry Buchanan working as a Drug Enforcement Administration informant on case of Kenneth Bernstine, former associate of Mitchell WerBell. (Mother, Mary Buchanan, in Miami).

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William Artega Burns
Reputed arms smuggler with contacts to organized crime. Has possible knowledge of Morris Bishop and Oswald contact through association with Army intelligence. (Puerto Rico)

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Dr. Edgardo Buttari
Former Cuban Minister of Commerce and Mayor of Havana. Business associate of Manuel Artime and alleged associate of Santo Trafficante. Possible knowledge of intelligence operations involving association with organized crime figures. (Miami)

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Leopoldo Cainas
Possible involvement in Army Intelligence operations, associated with contacts having possible Oswald connection in New Orleans. Possible involvement in Sylvia Odio incident. (Stuart)

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Antonio Calatayud
Involved in anti-Castro operations supported by Orlando Bosch and Carlos Prio. Possible knowledge of relationships involving links to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

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Robert Carballo
President of Combatants Association, 2506 Brigade; involved in anti-Castro terrorist activity. Possible knowledge of operations with links to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

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Luis de Cardenas
Close association with No Name Key group and C.I.A. operatives, connected with Jerry Patrick Hemming. Possible knowledge of alleged contact by Oswald with No Name Key group. (Miami)

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Guido Carillo
Another conspirator in Nieves murder, also probably connected to Trafficante. Possible knowledge of possible links of organized crime to anti-Castro connections to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

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Justo Carillo
Leader of anti-Castro group "Montecristo." Possible knowledge of intelligence agency activities relative to anti-Castro operations directed by Oswald contact Morris Bishop. (Miami)

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Alex E. Carlson
Attorney for Double-Check Corp, C.I.A. front which recruited pilots for anti-Castro operations and served as conduit for payments to widows. Possible knowledge of intelligence agency involvement with associates of Oswald. (Miami)

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Richard Randolph Carr
Witness to assassination. Reportedly saw individual on fifth floor of DSBF then later with two others flee from building. (See PJ III, 64) (Atlanta)

Martin Casey 44

Close associate of No Name Key group. Soldier of fortune involved in anti-Communist operations. Associate of Army Intelligence operative Robert K. Brown, questioned by the F.B.I. involving prior knowledge of the Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Gustavo Castillo 45

Member of militant anti-Castro Cuban National Liberation Front (FLNC), charged with assassination attempt on Cuban consul in Mexico. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro activists with links to Oswald. (Miami)

Frank Castro 46

Trained C.I.A. agent, close associate of Orlando Bosch and Orlando Otero. Possible knowledge of association with operations directed by Oswald contact Morris Bishop. (Miami)

Teresa Casuso 47

Formerly confidential secretary to Fidel Castro. Possible knowledge of pro-Castro or anti-Castro elements having connection to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Dino Cellini 48

Top associate of Meyer Lansky and Santo Trafficante. Operated gambling casino in Havana. Probably knowledge of Ruby association with gambling interests in Cuba and with gunrunning operations in Miami. (Sister is girlfriend of Roy Paine, associate of Richard Hathcock, who gave rifle to Loran Hall in California.) (Miami)

John Philip Cerone 49

Associate of the late Sam Giancana, acting underboss to Chicago Mafia family. Probable knowledge of C.I.A.-sponsored Castro assassination attempts, knowledge of Ruby links to organized crime. (Miami)

Ralph Cerrano 50

Associated with Santo Trafficante in gambling operations in Cuba. Involved with Rolando Masferrer in Haitian operation. Possible knowledge of Ruby connection to Havana interests, McWillie, and organized crime, possible knowledge of Masferrer association with Eladio Del Valle and David Ferrie, No Name Key group. (Miami)

Dan Christensen 51

Freelance journalist and author of articles concerning Somerset and Milteer. Possesses original documents and personal papers taken from home of Milteer (deceased) in Georgia. (Miami)

Regelio Cisneros 52

A member of JURE, the anti-Castro organization of which Sylvia Odio was a member. The FBI originally suspected he may have been one of the three men. He had visited Dallas for the purpose of making a contact to buy arms. (Miami)

Lynn Clark 53

Photographer involved in anti-Castro activities. Possible knowledge or photographs of Oswald association with No Name Key group. (Miami)

William Clay 54

Co-counsel for Rolando Otero. Possible knowledge of Otero's relationship with anti-Castro activists, No Name Key group and intelligence agency relationship. (Miami)

Arturo Cobos 55

Associate of Orlando Otero, Orlando Bosch, Luis Posada. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro operations with links to Oswald contact Morris Bishop. (Miami)

James Cogswell III

Veteran intelligence operative. Possible knowledge of Morris Bishop through close association with intelligence officials in American Embassy in Havana. In contact with Antonio Veciana on anti-Castro activity. Possible knowledge of Oswald contact through close contact with major Cuban leaders. (Palm Beach)

Ben Cohen

Attorney for former S & G Miami Beach criminal syndicate and currently legal counsel for prominent organized crime figures. Possible knowledge of Ruby contact with Miami Beach criminal elements or interest in hotel and gambling operations in Havana. (Miami Beach)

Francisco Manuel Condom-Gil

Private investigator, associate of Manuel Artime, alleged associate of Santo Trafficante family. Possible involvement in anti-Castro operations and training camps in New Orleans with reported Oswald contacts. (Miami)

Luis Conte-Aguerra

Cuban anti-Castro propaganda operative for the C.I.A. Associate of key Cuban leaders. Reportedly involved in Cellula Fantasma operation by Frank Fiorini Sturgis. Possible knowledge of operations of Oswald contact Morris Bishop. (Miami)

Hector Cornillot

Convicted terrorist bomber, associate of Orlando Bosch and Luis Posada. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro activities directed by Oswald contact Morris Bishop. (Miami)

Mario Alvarez Cortina

Pilot involved in anti-Castro operations. Probable association with Frank Fiorini Sturgis and E. Howard Hunt. Possible knowledge of associates involved with activities relative to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Louis Coticchia

Reportedly a key figure in negotiations between C.I.A. and Mafia in Castro assassination attempts. Close to Giancana, Rosselli and Trafficante. Possible knowledge of organized crime involvement with Kennedy assassination, knowledge of Jack Ruby connection with Chicago organized crime figures. (Chicago and Miami)

Luis Crespo

Trained by the C.I.A., active in anti-Castro activity. Possible knowledge of intelligence agency relationship with Anti-Castro activity and links to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Fred W. Crockett

Dentist associated with right-wing groups, close associate of Howard Davis and Jerry Patrick Hemming and others in No Name Key group. Reportedly was in possession of Hemming's sniper rifle after it was retrieved by Loran Hall. (Miami)

Steve Czukos

Enforcement section, U.S. Customs, Miami. Contact for Frank Fiorini Sturgis. Possible knowledge of intelligence agency activities related to anti-Castro operations. (Miami)

Felipe DeDiego

Associate of Bernard Barker, Eugenio Martinez and E. Howard Hunt. Involved in numerous anti-Castro and intelligence agency operations, including break-in of Ellsberg's psychiatrist's office. Possible knowledge of early intelligence operations involving Oswald associates. (Miami)

Antonio DeLaCova

Convicted bomber, member Cuban terrorist group Abdella. Possible knowledge of intelligence agency relationship with Bosch, Prio, Posada and Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

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Miguel DeLeon

Involved in initial reports of Oswald in Miami with Fair Play for Cuba Committee. Associated with Manuel Artime. (Miami)

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Alexandra DeMohrenschildt

Daughter of George DeMohrenschildt, friend of Oswalds. Requires extensive questioning concerning her father's activities and career, relationship with intelligence agencies, relationship with the Oswalds, her own relationship to Oswalds and her activities and travels. Also corroboration of details related to father's suicide. (Palm Beach)

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Edith Daigle

Sister of late John Rosselli. Possible knowledge of brother's involvement in Castro assassination plots, association with gambling and organized crime interests with possible Ruby connection. (Plantation)

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William Darnell

Executive with Lykes Steamship Co., owner of ship Oswald took to Russia. Long time association with intelligence agencies. Very knowledgeable of anti-Castro Cuban group activities as Army Intelligence operative in Puerto Rico. Possible knowledge of Morris Bishop and association with Oswald. (Puerto Rico-New Orleans)

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Howard Davis

Heavily involved in anti-Castro activity. Close associate of Jerry Patrick Hemming and Loran Hall. Has had contact with General Walker and members of the National States Rights Party. Associated with members of the No Name Key group, where Oswald reportedly had contact. Also possibly connected with organized crime figures in Chicago, possibly involved in gunrunning with associates of Jack Ruby. (Miami)

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Arthur Desser

Former director of Miami National Bank, associated with International Bank of Miami, which has former C.I.A. officer James Angleton on board of directors. Possible connection to Meyer Lansky. Possible knowledge of intelligence agency relationship to organized crime, Teamsters Union and Howard Hughes organization. (Miami)

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William Dempsey

Member No Name Key group, (Canada)

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Nino Diaz

Leader of diversionary Cuban force of Bay of Pigs invasion. Involved in numerous anti-Castro operations and assassination attempts. Was target of unsuccessful assassination attempt in 1975. Involved with training camps in New Orleans and may have knowledge of Oswald's reported contact with those camps. (Miami)

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Norman Diaz

Member 2506 Brigade, associated with members of assassination team Operation 40. Possible knowledge of relationships of anti-Castro groups with possible Oswald contact. (Miami)

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Raul Diaz

Former member of Dade County Organized Crime Bureau, son-in-law of C.I.A. contract agent Eugenio Martinez. Has knowledge of relationship between Riccardo Morales, Orlando Bosch and Luis Posada. (Miami)

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Marcos Diaz-Lanz

Brother of Pedro and deputy chief of Castro Air Force. Also extensively involved in anti-Castro activity and also has possible knowledge of intelligence operations involving relationship to Oswald. (Miami)

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Pedro Diaz-Lanz

Former chief of Castro air force. Defected with Frank Fiorini Sturgis. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro intelligence operations and association of Cuban groups with Oswald. (Miami)

Dr. Joseph Dolce

Consultant to Warren Commission on ballistics testing. Claims conclusions contrary to findings of Warren Commission Report. (Riviera Beach)

John Downey

Principal U.S. Customs agent involved in arrests of anti-Castro activists based on No Name Key. Possible knowledge of Oswald relationship with No Name Key group. (Miami)

Tom Dunkin

Freelance photographer formerly with Life and C.B.S. Close associate of Andrew St. George, Mitchell WerBell and key leaders of No Name Key group. Possible knowledge of intelligence activities in relation to anti-Castro operations connected with Kennedy assassination. (Ft. Pierce)

Alfred Gonzales Duran

Son-in-law of Carlos Prio. Member of Operation 40, special assassination team employed in conjunction with Bay of Pigs operation. Possible knowledge of Prio's connection with Kennedy assassination, possible knowledge of Oswald connections to members of 2506 Brigade. (Miami)

John Dyer

Connected with C.I.A. front, Zenith Corporation, and major C.I.A. operational complex on University of Miami campus, JM WAVE. Latin American marketing specialist who conducted debriefing interviews. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro or intelligence agency elements link to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

Ralph Edens

Private investigator and soldier of fortune associated with key members of the No Name Key group. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro intelligence operations. (Miami)

Manuel Angel Espinosa

Member of the Committee of Help to the Cuban Resistance, active in anti-Castro activity, associated with members of Orlando Bosch group and Alpha 66. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro activity with links to Kennedy assassination, possible associate of Carlos Bringuier. (Miami)

George Faraldo

Former manager of Key West Airport. Reported seeing Oswald and Ruby in Key West terminal on way to Cuba with Fair Play for Cuba group. Former contract agent for U.S. Information Agency, aerial audio and photo reconnaissance expert. (Key West)

Julio Fernandez

Reported by Claire Booth Luce to Senator R.S. Schweiker to have been part of an anti-Castro group which Oswald allegedly had contact with in Miami. (Miami)

Pablo Fernandez

Close associate of Eugenio Martinez and veteran CIA operative. Involved in staged demonstrations at Miami Democratic Convention and at funeral of J. Edgar Hoover. Possible knowledge of early intelligence operations involving Oswald or associates. (Miami)

Dr. Armando Fleites

Former general secretary of the Second National Front of the Escambray and one of original founders of Alpha 66. Close friend of Antonio Veciana and Andres Nazario. Possible knowledge of intelligence associations with Alpha 66 and Oswald contacts. (Miami)

Tino Fuentes

Brother-in-law of Carlos Prio and resident in home. Possible knowledge of all of Prio's associations. (Miami)

Barry Garber

Attorney for Antonio Veciana. Very knowledgeable of Cuban groups and involvement with narcotics and organized crime. Possible knowledge of intelligence agency contacts with Oswald's contact with such groups. (Miami)

Evaristo Garcia

Close associate of Santo Trafficante. Involved in gambling operations in Cuba. Possible knowledge of Ruby visit to Cuba, other aspects of Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

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Justin Gleicoff

Miami station chief, C.I.A., 1950 to 1973. Reportedly played a major role in Bay of Pigs operation. Requires questioning regarding all possible links of intelligence agency operatives to Kennedy assassination. (Miami)

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Celia Godinet

Former ticket agent for Aerovias Q, Cuban airline. Possible knowledge of Oswald and Ruby flights to Cuba. (Miami)

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Joaquin Godoy

Former member of the MRP, anti-Castro Cuban group. Associate of Antonio Veciana. Possible knowledge of Morris Bishop through contacts with American Embassy and associations in intelligence agencies. Has had contact with representative of H.L. Hunt. (Puerto Rico)

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Mrs. Leonore Gonzales

Daughter of Julio Lobo (Spain), the Cuban banker for whom Veciana worked in Havana and possible intermediary between Veciana and original contact with Oswald associate Morris Bishop. May provide knowledge of father's association with C.I.A. and/or contact with father. (West Palm Beach)

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Virgilio Gonzales

Associate of Bernard Barkër, Eugenio Martinez and Frank Fiorini Sturgis. Involved in intelligence operations and initial Watergate entry. Possible knowledge of anti-Castro groups involving Oswald or associates. (Miami)

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Max Gonzales Gorman

Close associate of Frank Fiorini Sturgis, involved with numerous intelligence operations in Miami and Latin America, possible assassination attempts. Possible knowledge of links of intelligence community and/or anti-Castro Cuban groups to Kennedy assassination. (Ft. Pierce)

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Julio Greco

Associate of Santo Trafficante. Possible knowledge of C.I.A. operations with organized crime relative to Castro assassination attempts and association with Jack Ruby. (Dania)

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Melvyn Greenspahn

Former attorney for Orlando Bosch when Morales was chief FBI informant in case involving bombing in Miami. Possible intelligence agency connections. Possible knowledge of relationships between Bosch, Morales, Posada and Oswald contact Morris Bishop. (Miami)

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Felix Guittierez

Reportedly one of the leaders of Operation 40, secret assassination team aligned with Manuel Artime during Bay of Pigs operation. Possible knowledge of Oswald contact with anti-Castro groups. (Miami)

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Sims Griner

Reported witness to death of Carlos Prio. (Miami)

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Dennis Harber

Member No Name Key group. Involved in anti-Castro activities in Cuba, Mexico and Dominican Republic. Known as "The Professor." Homosexuality possibly significant re reports of Oswald being associated with homosexuals in New Orleans and Dallas. (Miami?)

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Jerry Patrick Hemming

A close associate of Loran Hall, who originally told the FBI it was he, Lawrence Howard and William Seymour who had visited Sylvia Odio. Hall later recanted. Hemming a member of the No Name Key anti-Castro group, an early associate of Frank Fiorini Sturgis and has had extensive contact with intelligence agencies. Also the owner of a rifle Loran Hall retrieved from an adventurer's supply shop in California a few weeks prior to the JFK assassination. (Miami)

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