

---

Agency Information

AGENCY : FBI  
RECORD NUMBER : 124-10205-10472  
RECORD SERIES : HQ  
AGENCY FILE NUMBER : 105-106995-4, 5

---

Document Information

ORIGINATOR : FBI  
FROM : ROUSE, JOHN W.  
TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
TITLE :  
DATE : 03/30/1962  
PAGES : 41  
SUBJECTS :  
AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI, ANTI-COMMUNIST CUBAN,  
REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION, ACA, ARMS ACT,  
FINANCES, CLADESTINE RADIO STATION, BOAT  
OPERATIONS, PROPAGANDA  
DOCUMENT TYPE : PAPER, TEXTUAL DOCUMENT  
CLASSIFICATION : Unclassified  
RESTRICTIONS : 4  
CURRENT STATUS : Redact  
DATE OF LAST REVIEW : 04/23/1998  
OPENING CRITERIA : INDEFINITE  
COMMENTS : INC RPT, TABLE OF CONTENTS PAGE i

~~SECRET~~

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

|   |                                  |  |   |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---|
| REPORTING OFFICE<br><b>MIAMI</b>  | OFFICE OF ORIGIN<br><b>MIAMI</b> | DATE<br><b>5/3/62</b>  | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD<br><b>10/3/61 - 5/1/62</b> |
| TITLE OF CASE<br><b>AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI,<br/>also known as Montecristi<br/>Group, Montecristi Movement</b> |                                  | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR.</b>                                  | TYPED BY<br><b>:ems</b>                         |
|   |                                  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA<br/>REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA</b> |   |

CIA HAS NO OBJECTION TO  
DECLASSIFICATION AND/OR  
RELEASE OF CIA INFORMATION  
IN THIS DOCUMENT.

*MKH 2-6-98*

REFERENCES: Miami airtel to Bureau, 1/17/62, captioned: "Anti-FIDEL CASTRO Activities; IS - CUBA", Bufile 109-584, Miami file 105-1742.

Bulet bearing same caption dated 1/30/62. Miami 1/31/62.

Tampa report of SA JOHN W. ROUSE, dated 3/30/62.

- P -

DECLASSIFIED BY 5668 SLD/MSR  
ON 2-20-98

LEADS

*9/30/94 SPR MAC/EM (JFK)*  
*#21,326 MULTIPLE SOURCES*  
Classified by BJA/KCL  
Declassify on: OADR 6/17/85

**Note:** All offices, upon completion of investigation requested below, will submit reports suitable for dissemination, using the same distribution to outside agencies as set forth in this report.

*ix copy copy CIA 12/16/68 SJR*


|   |  |                              |                         |
|---|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| APPROVED<br><i>[Signature]</i>  | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE                      | DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW |                         |
| COPIES MADE:<br><b>10 - Bureau (105-106995) (AM - RM)</b><br><b>6 - Miami (4 - 105-4719)</b><br><b>1 - 105-3558</b><br><b>1 - 105-5147)</b> |  | <b>105-106995-5</b>          | REC-44<br><b>EX-113</b> |
| See Cover Page "B" for remaining copies.  |  | <b>87 MAY 7 1962</b>         |                         |
| Dissemination Record of Attached Report   |  | Notations                    |                         |
| Agency  | Copy to: CIA/State/RAO, Mex City (cc AD 263) | <b>NAT. INT. SEC.</b>        |                         |
| Request Recd.   | ONI/OSI/ACSI, DIA, DIA, MEYER                |                              |                         |
| Date Fwd.   | by routing slip for info. FCC, customs       |                              |                         |
| How Fwd.  | Date <u>5/21/62</u> by <u>VMM/ST</u>         |                              |                         |
| By  |  |                              |                         |

58 MAY 22 1962/14

~~SECRET~~

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR CLASSIFICATION ACTION

RECEIVED  
JUN 11 1985

(5-1) 15 (CIA) 

|              |         |
|--------------|---------|
| DATE         | 6/17/85 |
| E.O. #       |         |
| CIVIL ACT. # |         |
| APPEAL #     |         |
| FOI/PA #     | 214326  |
| INITIALS     | CEL     |

6/17/85

~~SECRET~~

MM 105-4719

Translations from Spanish to English were made by Miami Translator ELEANORE M. SCHOENBERGER.

INFORMANTS

IDENTITY

LOCATION OF ORIGINAL INFORMATION

MM T-1 is GAUDENCIO CASTRO SOLOZABAL, Coral Gables, Florida, Financial Secretary of "Agrupacion Montecristi", PSI under development, who voluntarily furnished information to SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR.

(u)  
X

Instant report, page 2.

MM T-2 is ERNESTO DESPAIGNE, PSI under development, Military Adviser to the Cuban Revolutionary Council, who voluntarily furnished information to SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR.

Instant report, page 5.

MM T-3 is CIA, Miami

105-4719-1 and 2

MM T-4 is MM 726-S, contacted by SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD

134-307 Sub A-152

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and they were concealed only in those instances where identities must be concealed.

G\*.

- COVER PAGE -

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

- ~~SECRET~~
- 1 - INS, Miami (RM)
  - 1 - FCC, Miami (RM)
  - 1 - CIA, Miami (RM)
  - 1 - U.S. Customs, Miami (RM)
  - 1 - Border Patrol, Miami (RM)
  - 1 - ONI, 6th ND, Charleston (RM)
  - 1 - OSI, Robins AFB, Ga. (RM)
  - 1 - G-2, Ft. McPherson, Ga. (RM)
  - 1 - 111th INTC Group, Orlando (RM)

Report of: LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR.  
Date: May 3, 1962

Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File #: Miami 105-4719

CIA HAS NO OBJECTION TO  
DECLASSIFICATION AND/OR  
RELEASE OF CIA INFORMATION  
IN THIS DOCUMENT.  
MKH 2-6-98

Bureau File #: 105-106995

Title: AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA  
REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA

10-3-94 SP/AMC/EM (JFK)  
#21,326 MULTIPLE SOURCES  
Classified by ASA/GCL  
Declassify on: OADR 6/17/85

Synopsis:

Investigation discloses AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI's headquarters located Miami, Florida. JUSTO CARRILLO HERNANDEZ, General Coordinator of organization. Identities of Executive Committee and leaders of delegations in other cities throughout United States and other countries set forth. AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI first organized to bring about downfall of BATISTA regime in Cuba; however, is now dedicated to overthrow of CASTRO Government. Aims and objectives of organization set forth. Estimates set forth concerning strength and membership of organization. One source describes AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI as "paper" organization, basically very weak and describes it as not representative of an organization of any great strength in the anti-CASTRO field. Organization receives financial support from Cuban Revolutionary Council. JUSTO CARRILLO resigned from Cuban Revolutionary Council; however, continues to head AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI, which is a member of Council. [Group is represented on Cuban Revolutionary Council by JUSTO CARRILLO's nephew, FRANCISCO CARRILLO. Group had clandestine radio station set up at Miami, Florida. However, station inactive. Organization was engaged in transporting by boat ammunition, arms and other materials to Cuba, until November, 1961. Principal activities organization now in propaganda effort. Awaiting assistance from U.S. Government. Group not registered in accordance with FARA of 1938, as amended, as of February 9, 1962.]

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN  
OTHERWISE

CIA INFO (BRACKETED) IS CLASSIFIED  
PER 2. TUGER 2/3/90 LTR.  
9803 red/fgc #21,326 3/12/92

DECLASSIFIED BY: 5668 SLD/ICSL - P -  
2-20-98 (JFK)

SEE REVERSE  
S.D. FOR  
CLASSIFICATION  
ACTION

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

~~SECRET~~

(U) (S-1) 15 (CIA) (U)

|          |         |
|----------|---------|
| DATE     | 6/27/85 |
| E.O. #   | 12356   |
| CIVILIAN |         |
| APPROV   |         |
| FOI/PA   | 211,326 |

~~SECRET~~VI. Finances

On April 12, 1962, MM T-1 advised that the activities of the AM are carried out through the financial support of the Cuban Revolutionary Council. He said that FRANCISCO CARRILLO, the nephew of JUSTO CARRILLO, receives three hundred fifty dollars monthly personally, for expenses, from the Cuban Revolutionary Council, inasmuch as he is a representative to that group. FRANCISCO CARRILLO has been turning this money over to the AM, in order that it might carry out its various activities. MM T-1 said the AM receives from fifteen hundred to twenty-five hundred dollars monthly from the Cuban Revolutionary Council, in order to carry out certain underground activities in Cuba. He indicated that the AM has received monthly financial support from the Cuban Revolutionary Council since about September, 1961. (S)(u)

*T-1*  
*Cuba*  
According to MM T-1, the AM maintains an account at the Coral Gables First National Bank, in the names of FRANCISCO CARRILLO and Dr. G. CASTRO, the latter individual being identified by MM T-1 as GAUDENCIO CASTRO SOLOZABAL, Financial Secretary of the AM. The checking account of the AM is maintained under No. 41-784-640-4. MM T-1 advised that the expenses of the organization are itemized on a monthly basis, and submitted to the Cuban Revolutionary Council for approval. (S)(u)

VII. Factionalism

The "Diario Las Americas," issue of October 13, 1961, published an article which stated, along with other things, the following; translated from the Spanish:

The Executive Committee of the Montecristi Group wishes to publish the bases for its conduct in

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

MM 105-4719

According to source, this set now installed in IRIGOYEN's home, will be used to transmit messages to Cuba and to communicate with a boat, possibly the "Barcarolle," owned by the Montecristo Group and docked at 8th Avenue N.W. near the bridge. ~~(S)~~(U)

DIA INFO CLASSIFIED  
RE THEIR 12/31/90  
LTR.  
9803 rdd/gcl  
#211,326 3/12/92

*Cuba*  
On October 9, 1961, MM T-4, who is personally acquainted with CELSO LUIS PIMIENTA, advised he had learned that the latter individual had said an anti-CASTRO group called the 30th of November had purchased an HT-4 radio transmitter and a BC-348 receiver from Aircraft Radio Marine Company, located at Northwest 36th Street, Miami, Florida, for the sum of thirteen hundred dollars. PIMIENTA said this equipment was set up for clandestine operation in the home of a woman named LEONOR TALAVERA, located at 1500 Northwest 25th Avenue, Miami, Florida. PIMIENTA said a woman was going to operate the equipment; however, it was subsequently learned that the woman was not qualified to operate the equipment, and the idea was dropped.

PIMIENTA related that the 30th of November group thereafter contacted PIMIENTA and asked him if he would operate the equipment from the above described residence. PIMIENTA said he told the group he did not want to have anything to do with that equipment, but if anything, he would use his own personal transmitter.

PIMIENTA said he thereafter took his transmitter to the above described residence, but he never made a contact with anyone in Cuba, or any other country for that matter, and indicated he subsequently took his radio equipment out of that residence.

PIMIENTA said he believed the 30th of November group was bluffing, and contrary to their statements,

- 21 -

~~SECRET~~



~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

|   |                                  |   |  |
|---|----------------------------------|---|--|
| REPORTING OFFICE<br><b>TAMPA</b>  | OFFICE OF ORIGIN<br><b>MIAMI</b> | DATE<br><b>MAR 30 1962</b>                          | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD<br><b>12/28/61 - 3/8/62</b>                 |
| TITLE OF CASE<br><b>AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI, aka.,<br/>Montecristi Group, Montecristi<br/>Movement</b> |                                  | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>SA JOHN W. ROUSE</b>           | TYPED BY<br><b>cl</b>  |
| DECLASSIFICATION AND/OR<br>RELEASE OF CIA INFORMATION<br>IN THIS DOCUMENT. <i>Jm 9-15-97</i>          |                                  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>IS - CUBA<br/>RA - CUBA</b> | DECLASSIFIED BY <i>SP8 MAC/ET<br/>(JFK)</i><br>ON <i>9-30-94</i> |

REFERENCE: Tampa letter to the Bureau, 1/31/62.

- RUC -

Classified by *SP6 BJA/GCL*  
Declassify on: OADR *6/19/85*

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Copies of the letterhead memorandum evaluating informants have been disseminated with this report.

Careful consideration has been given to concealment of sources and the "T" symbol has been used only where necessary to protect identity of the source.

CLASSIFICATION:

This report is being classified "Confidential" as information from TP T-1, 2 and 3 could reasonably result in the identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN  
OTHERWISE

|   |                            |                              |        |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| APPROVED  | SPECIAL AGENT<br>IN CHARGE | DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW |        |
| COPIES MADE:                                    |                            | <i>105 106995-4</i>          | REC-71 |
| <b>9 - Bureau (105-106995) (RM)</b>             |                            |                              |        |
| <b>1 - INS, Miami (RM)</b>                      |                            |                              |        |
| <b>1 - ONI, Charleston, S.C. (RM)</b>           |                            |                              |        |
| <b>1 - OSI, Robins AFB, Ga. (RM)</b>            |                            |                              |        |
| <b>1 - G-2, Ft. McPherson, Ga. (RM)</b>         |                            |                              |        |
| <b>1 - 111th INTC Group, Orlando, Fla. (RM)</b> |                            |                              |        |
| <b>1 - Miami (Info.) 1 - Tampa (105-978)</b>    |                            |                              |        |

Dissemination Record of Attached Report

|        |                                   |           |  |    |
|--------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--|----|
| Agency | Request Recd.                     | Date Fwd. | How Fwd.                                 | By |
|        | Copy to: <i>CIA/State/DAO DIA</i> |           | by routing slip for info.                |    |
|        | <i>ONI/OSI/ACSI DIA (Meyer)</i>   |           | Date <i>4-6-62</i> by <i>K.A.H. (SA)</i> |    |

Notations

**NAT. INT. SEC.**

**60 APR 9 1962**

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TP 105-978

Inasmuch as the organization is relatively inactive, no additional investigation is being conducted. Group will be followed through sources and informants; any pertinent information will be furnished to Bureau and Miami.

INFORMANTS:

| <u>IDENTITY</u>                    | <u>LOCATION OF INFORMATION</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| TP T-1 is SSOI ENRIQUE MUNOZ       | TP 134-37A -6                  |
| TP T-2 is 52-S                     | TP 134-35A-55                  |
| TP T-3 is PSI JOSE ENRIQUE RAMIREZ | TP 134-92A-3                   |

Other sources mentioned as having no information regarding this group when contacted in January, 1962 are as follows:

| <u>DATE OF CONTACT</u> | <u>PERSON CONTACTED</u> | <u>CONTACTING AGENT</u>   |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1/2/62                 | TP 48-S                 | SA JOHN W. ROUSE          |
| 1/3/62                 | PSI [REDACTED]          | SA JOHN W. ROUSE          |
| 1/5/62                 | PSI FRANCISCO MARTINEZ  | SA RICHARD E. HEON        |
| 1/5/62                 | PSI [REDACTED]          | SA RICHARD E. HEON        |
| 1/8/62                 | TP 57-S                 | SA RICHARD E. HEON        |
| 1/8/62                 | PSI [REDACTED]          | SA RICHARD E. HEON        |
| [1/8/62                | PSI ROBERTO RODEIRO     | SA RICHARD E. HEON ]      |
| 1/8/62                 | PSI FELIX MENENDEZ      | SA FREDERICK A. SLIGHT    |
| 1/10/62                | TP 45-S                 | SA HOWARD K. RUTHERFORD   |
| 1/12/62                | PSI JOE FERNANDEZ       | SA HOWARD K. RUTHERFORD   |
| [1/16/62               | TP 27-S                 | SA HOWARD K. RUTHERFORD ] |

OTHER 4

OTHER 4

- B\* -  
COVER PAGE

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~