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TO : Mr. T. W. Leavitt

FROM : S. S. Mignosa *SS/mgnosa*

SUBJECT: ILONA MARITA LORENZ, AKA
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise you of information in FBI files concerning the subject, who according to recent newspaper articles (copies attached), publicly admitted to being involved in a CIA plot in 1960 to assassinate Cuban Premier Fidel Castro. The newspaper articles indicated that she was interviewed during that period by the FBI.

SYNOPSIS:

The subject, according to recent newspaper accounts, was alleged to have been involved in a 1960 CIA plot to assassinate Cuban Premier Fidel Castro. According to the newspaper accounts she was in contact with Alex Rorke allegedly a CIA and FBI employee and a Frank Fiorini allegedly a CIA employee. During contact with the New York Office in 1959 and 1960, the subject admitted being the lover of Castro and having an abortion as a result. She never advised the FBI of alleged involvement in the above plot nor was she ever directed to perform any tasks on behalf of the FBI.

The subject's husband is a New York informative asset in the Soviet bloc field. The subject, who is separated from her husband, was briefly under development as a criminal informant from April to June 14, 1976; the case is closed.

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Memorandum to Mr. T. W. Leavitt
 Re: Ilona Marita Lorenz

The attached newspaper stories alleged that "Alex Rorke, a wealthy adventurer who worked for both CIA and the FBI" was involved with Frank Fiorini, a "CIA Agent," who recruited the subject in an assassination plot against Castro. Alexander I. Rorke is a former FBI clerical employee who, during the time of the alleged plot in 1960, was a free lance photographer. He had been temporarily detained by the Cuban Government in 1959 and for many years was active in anti-Castro activities in the Florida area. From time to time he contacted the FBI and was dealt with at arms length because of his adventurer, personality and self-serving motives. He disappeared on a plane flight in 1963 to Central America. Frank Fiorini also known as Frank Anthony Sturgis was well known to the FBI for his anti-Castro activities in the U. S. following his=defection from Cuba in 1958. He was also one of the Watergate break-in subjects.

Additional information in FBI files indicates that the subject also furnished information concerning the July 26th Movement in the U. S. This group was the original political and military organization which Castro used to overthrow the Batista Regime in Cuba. The subject was also interviewed in 1962 in Florida regarding the White Slavery Traffic Act (WSTA) case and admitted being the mistress of Marcos Perez Jimenez, former President of Venezuela, who fathered her daughter. Investigation failed to establish the subject was a victim in the above mentioned WSTA case. The subject is the present wife of NY 7511-IA who furnishes information on Soviet and Soviet-bloc matters. She is aware of her husband's cooperation with the New York Office and has, on occasion, volunteered information of value. The subject is presently separated from her husband and in April, 1976, the New York Office opened a potential criminal informant file on her because of her contacts with a New York area crime figure, Guiseppe Faggiano, and a race horse trainer. She furnished information regarding gambling, shylocking and bank robbery matters. However, because of the recent publicity set out in the attached newspaper clippings, the fact that she is planning to write a book concerning her Cuban experiences and the fact that she terminated her contact with criminal elements, her case was closed by the New York Office.

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