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Reurcabs (4/22/64) concerning captioned subjects.

The only references identifiable with Rodriguez Lahera in Bufiles is contained in a CIA Information Report dated 8/21/59, classified "Secret" and entitled "Officers and Noncommissioned Officers Assigned to Cuban Revolutionary Department of Investigations." First Lieutenant Vladimir Rodriguez Lahera was described as Chief of the Gambling Bureau of the Revolutionary Department of Investigations (DIR) as of 7/29/59. This information originated, according to CIA, from a rebel officer with excellent contacts in revolutionary security circles. (S) (U)

(U) A CIA information report dated 7/8/63, classified "Secret," entitled "Personnel of the Ministry of Foreign Trade" contains information attributed to a Cuban with commercial training who is an official on a planning staff in the Cuba Ministry of Transportation who received the data in March, 1963. This source provided a partial directory of the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Trade and its subordinate enterprises. Diderico Peterssen was listed as submanager for Operations A of "Cubaretales" (Cable address: - Cubanetal). ECRP letter 3/29/63 to you concerning Travel Matters - Cuba listed Diderico Peterssen Barreto, a Cuban diplomat possessing Passport Number D/63/127, as a passenger on Cuban Airlines Flight No. 212 which arrived in Canada on 3/1/63. (S)

The Bureau is very much interested in the data which will be forthcoming from the debriefing of the subjects and is particularly

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RE: DIDERICO PETERSEN BARBETO**

interested in knowing if they have any tie-ins with Cuban intelligence activities directed against the U. S. or with any individuals currently or formerly in the U. S. who have engaged in intelligence activities on behalf of the present Cuban Government. We are most anxious to beef up our coverage at the Cuban Mission to the UN and any data subjects might possess concerning the actual ideologies of Cubans assigned there would be of vital interest. The possession of a false passport by Rodriguez Lahera is of unusual interest and we, of course, would like to know full details concerning issuance of it and extent of this practice by Cuban Government. (S)

If feasible and practicable, get basic summary of data available to RCMP upon which we might act or set out leads and follow with complete details when RCMP is in a position to make them available. From data furnished you by RCMP to date it would appear the subjects represent excellent sources for providing current information regarding matters of intelligence interest to Western Hemisphere intelligence agencies. (S)

NOTE: [Rodriguez defected to Canada at Halifax, Nova Scotia, on 4/21/64 after arriving there on a Cubana flight under an assumed name. Petersen was Cuban Trade Consul at Montreal for four months prior to 4/21/64 when he defected. RCMP has promised to keep us advised of any data of intelligence interest to the U. S. and has specifically indicated it will relay any question we might have to be put to Petersen.] Mr. Harold Swensen of CIA (S) advised SA S. J. Papich on 4/23/64 that CIA is sending someone to sit in on Rodriguez' interview [by RCMP] (S)

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VLADIMIR RODRIGUEZ LAHERA, ~~AKA~~ VICENTE RAMIREZ LOPEZ, ~~IS~~-CUBA.

THIS DATE RCMP ADVISED SUBJECT BORN HAVANA FEBRUARY 6, 1937. SOUGHT ASYLUM HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA FROM HAVANA TO PRAGUE CUBANA FLIGHT APRIL 21, TRAVELING ON CUBAN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT UNDER ASSUMED NAME OF VICENTE RAMIREZ LOPEZ AND HAD IN POSSESSION OTHER FALSE PASSPORT AND OVER \$2500 US. CLAIMS EMPLOYED CUBAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE WORKING ON EL SALVADOR DESK AND APPARENTLY HAS KNOWLEDGE COMMUNIST AGENTS IN LATIN AMERICA AND HAS IN POSSESSION DOCUMENTS RELATING TO WORK. ALSO CLAIMS WORKED UNDER MINISTER OF INTERIOR IN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE FOR EIGHT MONTHS AND TRAVELED TO MEXICO FOR 10 DAYS THIS YEAR INTERVIEWING ON INTELLIGENCE MATTERS. NO OTHER TRIPS ABROAD. SERVED AS CAPTAIN CUBAN ARMY 1959 TO 1961. WIFE LUISA RESIDES APARTMENT 4, COJIMAR, HAVANA. (S)

SUBJECT BEING BROUGHT OTTAWA FOR DEBRIEFING AND LEGAT WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED. RCMP ADVISED SUBJECT INTENDS APPLY FOR VISA TO USA AND HAS BROTHER-IN-LAW, PABLO RODRIGUEZ, 2582 WEST SOUTHWEST EIGHTH STREET IN MIAMI. (S)

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