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ReSJairtel with letterhead memorandum dated 1/17/64 and SJrad to Bureau, 1/24/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above at San Juan, Puerto Rico, and an equal number of evaluation memoranda. Information copies are designated to New York and Washington Field. Four copies are designated to Miami.

Local dissemination is being made to ONI, INTC, OSI, US Customs and INS.

Investigation at Ponce, Puerto Rico, was conducted by SA JOHN A. NORRIS, JR.

INFORMANTS

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Owner, Editora Antillas,
Inc., mentioned in LHM

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Pending receipt of advice from Bureau, as requested in reSJrad, no attempts to interview individuals indicated to be involved in alleged infiltration of Cuba, will be made.

LEADS

MIAMI DIVISION

At Miami, Florida

Will, at INS, Miami, obtain photographs of ALVARO CADENAS, INS #A12 778 282, and LUIS G. SERRANO, INS #A12 481 941, so that photographs may be exhibited to CESAR QUESADA in an effort to determine if they were in group at Caja de Muertos Island on 1/12/64.

SAN JUAN DIVISION

At San Juan, Puerto Rico

1. Will continue to follow movements of "Venus" and will determine if she is at Vaello Brothers Shipyard, Catano, Puerto Rico.

2. Will review INS, San Juan, files on ANTONIO BLANCA obtaining background information concerning him.

At Ponce, Puerto Rico

1. Will interview RAMON E. DAPENA VIDAL concerning the "Venus," her crew, her trip to Ponce and her destination.



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Re: JUNTA REVOLUCIONARIA CUBANA (JURE)
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

FRANCISCO M. MELENDEZ, Deputy Collector, United States Customs, Ponce, Puerto Rico, on January 17, 1964, advised that a week or so before the "Venus" arrived in Ponce, RAMON E. DAPENA VIDAL, described by MELENDEZ as an insurance agent in Ponce, came to the offices of United States Customs. DAPENA requested information as to the requirements for becoming or acting as an agent for a ship coming into Ponce. DAPENA had no information concerning the ship's cargo nor did he know where the ship was coming from. Based on the fact that little was known about the ship, Customs said the vessel could enter but that the agent would have to place a bond of \$10,000. This was done.

ALBERTO A. PICO, Supervisory Customs Agent, United States Customs, Ponce, Puerto Rico, on January 17, 1964, advised that DAPENA had come into the Customs office about two weeks before the "Venus" arrived in Ponce and requested information concerning becoming an agent for a ship. PICO furnished him with the necessary documents to be completed by DAPENA and gave him information concerning the obtaining of a bond. PICO explained that ships entering United States ports, when the cargo was not known, were placed under bond to insure that no goods on which there is a duty would be unloaded before checked by Customs.

According to PICO, it was determined, when the ship arrived, that she carried no cargo. On the after deck she carried 10-15 empty oil drums. The ship, on arrival, was yellow in color and PICO noted that the ship, while in Ponce, had been repainted and now has a blue hull with a grey superstructure.

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Re: JURE

QUESADA stated that he would know the man he had talked to, if he saw him again.

On January 24, 1964, MANUEL CASANOVA, United States Customs Agent, San Juan, Puerto Rico, advised that the "M/V Venus" was presently at Pier 5, San Juan, Puerto Rico. The ship is scheduled to go to Vaello Ship Repair, Catano, Puerto Rico, on this date or January 25, 1964.

On January 24, 1964, R. D. ARNOTT, Marine Division, United States Customs, advised his records reveal the following:

The "M/V Venus" is listed as being owned by JULIO ~~ALONZO~~ residing at 6271 Southwest 21st Street, Miami, Florida, who is also the master of this vessel. The crew for this vessel as of January 19, 1964, was listed as Captain JULIO C. ~~ALONZO~~, Engineer ALVARO ~~ADENAS~~, Steersman LUIS ~~SERRANO~~, Steersman HILARIO ~~GUERRA~~ and Oilman SERGIO ~~SANCHEZ~~. These individuals all listed their residence as being in Miami, Florida, with the exception of SERGIO ~~SANCHEZ~~ who is from Ponce, Puerto Rico. } FLA
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The "M/V Venus" was built in 1944 and named the "Explorer." It has a wooden hull, two 550 horsepower General Motors diesel engines, 112 foot long, 18 foot beam and 10 foot draft, 118 gross tons and 76 net tons. The ship is listed as a freight carrier. The representative for this ship in Panama City, Panama, is JOSE E. ~~EHRMAN~~, no further identifying data.

Mr. ARNOTT stated that in conversation with the ship's master and owner, ALONZO, he was advised that the ship is presently located at Pier 5 in San Juan and scheduled to undergo minor repairs at Vaello Ship Repair in Catano, Puerto Rico. The ship will be taken to Catano on this date or on January 25, 1964.

On January 23, 1964, SJ T-2 stated he heard from EDUARDO MUNOZ, a member of the JURE, that JURE leader MANOLO RAY was planning an expedition to Cuba to occur sometime in the immediate future and this expedition would depart from Ponce, Puerto Rico.

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