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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (134-18087) DATE: 11-12-68

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (134-1565) (P)

SUBJECT: JOSE SANTIAGO APARICIO GARCIA VALDEZ
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Re Miami letter to Bureau, 10-15-68.
Bureau letter to Miami, 11-5-68.

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A. A check of the field office files reflects that CIA, by letter dated 6-18-61, advised that a meeting was held by six Cuban exiles, and the purpose of their meeting was to become useful to the Cuban cause. GARCIA was one of those who attended the meeting. (U)

Bureau files contain INS, Miami, information sheet dated 4-9-60, which discloses the following information: Subject was an automobile mechanic for Batista Police Force in Havana in 1953. From 1954 to 1958, subject was Captain of the yacht "Pal", which was owned by Colonel VICTOR MANUEL DUENOS ROBERT, who was imprisoned in 1960. On 10-1-59, subject was arrested and charged with hiding counterrevolutionaries, spent 40 days in jail, was released on bond, and was in partial hiding since his release. Subject was then wanted in Cuba by CASTRO forces for hiding counterrevolutionaries. Subject arrived in the United States on 4-18-60, at Key Largo, Florida, via boat together with three other Cubans, two of whom were also escapees.

By report dated 6-2-64, CIA advised that on 5-26-64, GARCIA said that a JURE mission was delayed, and furnished information concerning a boat named "True", a 23'-26' motorboat, blue, moored in the Miami River. (U)

By letter dated 6-3-64, U. S. Customs advised

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2-Bureau (RM)
1-Miami
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they had received an anonymous call saying that explosives were stored at the house of GARCIA, 400 N. W. South River Drive, Miami, and as a consequence, a consent search was conducted and no explosives were found. It was noted the residence did contain considerable food, which was stored there for JURE.

U. S. Customs, by letter 6-8-64, advised that MANOLO REY, head of JURE, arrived in the United States aboard Pan American Airways Flight 408, with six others, including GARCIA, after they left Miami Beach, Florida, on 5-24-64, on an unsuccessful attempt to infiltrate Cuba.

The Department of State, by letter dated 11-30-64, advised that GARCIA had contacted U. S. Customs concerning a re-entry permit to go to the Dominican Republic (DR). He planned to deliver a boat to the DR and stay there two months to train a boat crew.

On 11-7-64, U. S. Customs checked GARCIA prior to his leaving for Nassau on the boat. The boat contained no articles of war.

On 11-10-64, GARCIA and the boat were in a Nassau shipyard, where the boat was undergoing repairs. Nassau authorities inspected the boat and found no arms or ammunition, but arrested GARCIA as a prohibited immigrant, fined him, and deported him.

A CIA report, dated 10-4-64, stated that on 9-28-64, CARLOS ZARRAGA MARTINEZ, who recently resigned from JURE, offered GARCIA $100.00 to take a boat from Miami to Tavernier and embark some persons on a raid to Cuba. (U)

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U. S. Customs advised that the boat was taken to Tavernier, but engine trouble and bad weather conditions prevented its departure for Cuba.

By letter dated 11-7-64, the Bureau was advised that GARCIA at that time was of operational interest to CIA. (U)

By letter dated 10-26-64, CIA advised GARCIA was of operational interest to that agency. (U)

CIA, Miami, on 11-12-68, advised GARCIA is not of operational interest and was discontinued because the group to which he belonged was discontinued. (U)

B. Discreet canvass of logical informants reflected the following:

MM 635-S advised that GARCIA was previously of operational interest to CIA and was involved in operations involving boats. Informant said he knew of no derogatory information concerning GARCIA. (U)

MM 639-S advised he knew GARCIA and considered him a dedicated anti-CASTRO Cuban exile who has been involved with other exiles in boat operations against Cuba. Informant said in one instance in 1966, GARCIA tried to obtain boats for an invasion of Haiti, then being sponsored by ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator, who on 11-1-67, was arrested by U. S. Customs. (U)

[redacted] Key Source - Cuban, advised that GARCIA is well known among anti-CASTRO activists in the Miami area, was formerly a yacht captain in Cuba and has participated in Cuban exile Naval operations against Cuba.

The above sources advised they know of no derogatory information concerning GARCIA.

C. U. S. Customs, Miami, advised that GARCIA is not of operational interest to that agency but they have contacted him in the past and considered him well informed, honest, truthful, and a person well connected with Cuban activists in Miami. U. S. Customs said that agency considered GARCIA to be in an excellent position to furnish information.

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Customs explained that GARCIA, being a qualified boat captain, is especially well connected with Cuban fishermen in Miami and is especially knowledgeable concerning these boats, the identities of would-be raiding boats and the locations from where the different boats operate. Customs said that GARCIA is presently unemployed and in a bad economic situation.

D. Local credit checks were negative.

The Dade County Municipal Court reflected that JOSE GARCIA, 126 S. W. 18th Avenue, Apartment 10, Miami, white male, born 5-23-30, Cuba, is a fisherman and on 10-18-62, was cited for operating a motorboat or vessel without proper Florida registration.

This citation was dismissed on 10-23-62.

FD-165 and FD-9 have been submitted to the Bureau.

The following is the identification record of GARCIA, dated 10-14-68, under FBI #486 329 D:

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
USINS Miami Fla	Jose Santiago Aparicio Garcia-Valdes #CPI(MIP)	4-18-60	Dep Proc	
Dept of Pub Safety Miami Fla	Jose Santiago Garcia-Valdez #60-4868-41925	4-19-60	vio of imm laws	
USINS Miami Fla	Jose S. A. Garcia-Valdes #A11884855	10-15-61	vio of Imm Laws	

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E. GARCIA advised that he has never been in the U. S. Armed Forces.

F. Because of GARCIA's age, he is not required to register with the Selective Service System.

G. Sources contacted and GARCIA, himself, advised he has no marital difficulties.

H. There are no known special problems which may limit the scope of the initial investigation.

On 10-2-68, INS, Miami, records reflected the following information:

JOSE SANTIAGO APARICIO GARCIA VALDEZ arrived in the United States on 4-18-60. He was an automobile mechanic until 1953 in Cuba, and from 1954 to 1958, was a yacht captain aboard "Pal".

On 10-1-64, he requested a re-entry permit from INS to deliver the boat "Three Seas" to the Dominican Republic, and planned to leave on this trip on 10-23-64.

On 2-10-66, a Cuban refugee, MARIA LUISA BRESO, in a signed statement, said she asked GARCIA to go to Nassau and bring her sister to Miami, and GARCIA did.

In a signed statement, CELIA BRESO, born 9-21-21, in Cuba, advised she entered the United States on 2-11-64, without inspection. She said she was picked up in Nassau by GARCIA, who took her in a boat to Miami, where she entered illegally and took a taxi to the home of her sister.

BRESO said she paid GARCIA no money for bringing her into the United States.

INS records do not reflect any action was taken against GARCIA.

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INS records reflect GARCIA was born 5-23-30, at Caibarien, Las Villas, Cuba. His parents were not listed (indicating their identity is unknown). He was married to MERCEDES PAZ, and had three children, JOSE MODESTO, born 1-12-60; WILLIAM B., born 8-1-62, and VIRGINIA, born 7-25-64. He had Social Security No. 584-10-8371, and FBI No. 486 329 D. His address was listed as 7280 South Waterway Drive, Miami. He applied for permanent residency on 6-30-68. Garca Garca Garca Cuba Fla.

Bureau authority is requested to designate captioned individual as a Bureau-approved potential security informant and to proceed with his development.

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