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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-72630)

DATE: 8/3/60

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (105-9008)

SUBJECT: PEDRO LUIS OSCAR DIAZ LANZ
IS - CUBA

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Rerep of SA WILLIAM A. WIGHTMAN dated 7/11/60 at Miami and Newark airtel to Bureau dated 6/6/60 captioned "LUIS ARENAL; IS - CUBA; RA - CUBA".

On 6/6/60 CHARLES SEIDENARI (protect by request), who has furnished reliable information in the past, and who is Delegate Secretary of the New Jersey Branch of The White Rose, furnished the following information:

SEIDENARI reported that he has been in contact with two individuals who wished to unite all anti-CASTRO forces into one organization. He stated that one of these was MIRANDA and the other was LUIS ARENAL, who resides at 4415 43rd Ave., Sunnyside, Long Island, N.Y. ARENAL's home telephone is EX 2-3199, and his office telephone number is DI 4-7188-89-90. SEIDENARI said that ARENAL had contacted him recently in an effort to unite the anti-CASTRO groups in this country. ARENAL told SEIDENARI that he gave \$25,000 to DIAZ LANZ, the former Cuban military aviator who defected and now resides in or near Miami, Fla. SEIDENARI stated that ARENAL stated that this money was paid to LANZ to perform some function against the CASTRO regime, the nature of which was unknown to SEIDENARI. SEIDENARI stated that he did not know whether ARENAL is sincere or a possible confidence man. Newark indices fail to reflect any identifiable information concerning ARENAL based on information available.

On 7/20/60 SEIDENARI advised that he could furnish no additional identifying information concerning ARENAL. He stated that he has only met ARENAL on a few occasions and was at his home in Sunnyside, Long Island, N.Y., on two occasions. SEIDENARI reported that ARENAL had stated that he wished to unite all anti-CASTRO groups for an eventual overthrow of the CASTRO regime. During the course of his conversation, ARENAL stated that he had given \$25,000 to DIAZ LANZ but did not

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elaborate with further details, and SEIDENARI did not question him concerning this. ARENAL only stated that this money was to be paid to DIAZ LANZ to perform some function against the CASTRO regime.

SEIDENARI stated that ARENAL has a large radio transmitter in his home but stated that because he was not familiar with this type of equipment, he would not be able to elaborate with further details concerning this equipment.

SEIDENARI stated that he did not expect to have any additional contact with ARENAL in the future as he was inclined to look upon ARENAL and several others who had contacted him for a similar purpose with skepticism.

Also on 7/20/60 SEIDENARI stated that he has had one defection from The White Rose to DIAZ LANZ. He stated this individual was DANIEL ESCHEMENDIA, of 219 44th St., Union City, N.J. According to SEIDENARI, ESCHEMENDIA had been persuaded to join the forces of DIAZ LANZ by promises of prompt action by that group in regard to the CASTRO regime.

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BALTIMORE:

AT KENSINGTON, MD.

Will determine to whom telephone number
WH 2-3789 is listed.

NEWARK:

AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Will attempt to obtain further details of the
alleged financial support by ARENAL to DIAZ LANZ, from
CHARLES SEIDENARI.

WASHINGTON FIELD:

Will determine to whom telephone numbers
NA 8-1414, WO 6-6400, CA 4-3121 and EM 3-3487, are
registered.

MIAMI:

AT FORT LAUDERDALE & WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

Will identify the individuals to whom various
telephone numbers are listed in the Fort Lauderdale and
West Palm Beach, Florida areas.

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Full details of subject's involvement in a recent invasionary attempt headed by subject against Cuba, will be reported in the case entitled "PEDRO LUIS OSCAR DIAZ LANZ, NM", Bufile 2-1597.

On May 11, 1960, BERNARD REICHARDT, local CIA representative, Miami, contacted the Miami Office and desired to know if the FBI was aware of any invasionary plans imminent on behalf of subject.

At that time REICHARDT expressed the opinion that should DIAZ LANZ attempt such an onslaught, it would probably result in adverse criticism of the United States, and that due to certain unsavory rumors concerning DIAZ' appropriation of funds from anti-CASTRO personalities for his own use, DIAZ LANZ was not regarded by CIA as being an acceptable figure in the anti-CASTRO movement.

-INFORMANTS-

<u>IDENTITY</u>	<u>LOCATION OF ORIGINAL INFORMATION</u>
MM T-1 is RUDOLPH FERNANDEZ, cotton broker, Atlanta, Georgia, (by request)	105-1598-184&206
MM T-2 is FELIPE ANTONIO CATASUS, PSI under development	134-441-Sub A-2
MM T-3 is [MM 639-S	134-238-Sub A-321&324] (u)

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MM T-4 is CHARLES
SEIDENARI, Delegate
Secretary of the New Jersey
Branch of the "White Rose",
(by request)

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