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# Memorandum

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Re New York airtel to Bureau 3/24/61, and Miami teletypes to Bureau 3/27 and 29/61.

Enclosed are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth information concerning captioned matter.

For information of New York and Washington Field, Miami teletypes summarized interviews of JOSE MIRO CARDONA and MANUEL RAY RIVERO.

Copies of instant letterhead memorandum are being furnished New York and Washington Field on interview of MANUEL RAY RIVERO, and another is being furnished separately on the interview of MIRO CARDONA, to keep those offices fully informed on the activity of this coalition of groups, which appear to be most active in Miami, New York, and Washington, D. C.

It is noted that neither MIRO CARDONA nor MANUEL RAY like to consider or refer to the Consejo Revolucionario (Revolutionary Council) as a government in exile. It does not, in fact, fill the qualifications of a government in exile since it is not an established entity as yet which can be recognized by other governments, and, according to most reliable sources, it has no intentions of actually becoming a government in exile.

Instant interview was arranged for Special Agents EDWIN L. SWEET and WILLIAM G. FRIEDMANN by RIGOBERTO

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CASTELLANOS COMEZ and his uncle, Doctor AGUSTIN CASTELLANOS Y GONZALEZ. The Bureau is aware of the background of the entire CASTELLANOS family. RIGOBERTO's family worked under his father LUIS, head of the National Bureau of Identification in Cuba from about 1940. He became a policeman in about 1947 or 1948, and was a Lieutenant from the BATISTA regime over into the CASTRO regime, until near the end of 1959, at which time he was jailed by FIDEL CASTRO and held incommunicado for 21 days. His release was largely effected through the intervention of MANUEL RAY, who is a former classmate of RIGOBERTO CASTELLANOS. Doctor AGUSTIN CASTELLANOS is a three time candidate for the Nobel prize in medicine and is a very reputable, well known children's heart specialist, who has always stayed abreast of politics in Cuba. Both of these sources are personal friends of Special Agent SWEET since 1942.

Both sources regard RAY as not being a Communist and, in fact, as being very opposed to Communism. He is also opposed to certain large Cuban capitalistic interests who in the past have contributed very little to the progress of the country and who own immense, largely untilled, tracts of land which they acquired through no personal efforts of their own and which RAY regards as holding back the social and economic progress of Cuba. These sources place RAY somewhere in between these capitalistic latifundias and the radical leftists and Communists who would convert all private property to the use of the state.

Doctor AGUSTIN CASTELLANOS recommends RAY as a necessary element to win the popular support in Cuba and the large working class, and believes RAY will be very willing to cooperate with the United States if assistance is given him in early and immediate problems of reconstructing the Cuban economy.

While RAY's name is not concealed by a "T" symbol, and it would be difficult to do so since he is really furnishing

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