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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS, WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM SAC, MIAMI 3P

ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA, ^{RA} IS DASH CUBA. ANTI FIDEL CASTRO
ACTIVITIES, IS DASH CUBA. REBUTEL TO MIAMI JAN THIRTEEN
LAST, ENTITLED ANTI FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES. FOR
INFO MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS, LEGAT HAVANA ADVISED TWIN
ENGINE PLANE DROPPED LIVE PHOSPHORUS BOMBS TWO THIRTY
PM, JAN TWELVE LAST WHICH BURNED APPROX. EIGHT HUNDRED TONS
SUGAR CANE LOCATED ABOUT THIRTY MILES OUTSIDE HAVANA. GOVT.
CONTROLLED PRESS CLAIMED PLANE FROM U. S. BUT FURNISHED NO
PROOF. PLANE RED AND GRAY, REPORTEDLY APPEARED FROM NORTH.

ONE NEWSPAPER CLAIMS PHOSPHORUS DROPPED IN CANS BEARING
MARKING QUOTE BRISTOL MARILES UNQUOTE PAREN POSSIBLY BRISTOL
MYERS END PAREN. EMBASSY INTERESTED ANY PROOF PLANE CAME

FROM U. S. U. S. CUSTOMS, MIAMI, SUSPECTS FLIGHT MADE JAN.

TWELVE UNDER DIRECTION CUBAN EXILES RESIDING BILMORE TERRACE
HOTEL, MIAMI BEACH, FLA. HOTEL OWNED BY ROBERT FERNANDEZ

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MIRANDA, BROTHER IN LAW OF FORMER CUBAN PRESIDENT BATISTA.
 CUSTOMS BELIEVES ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY NORMAN ROTHMAN, MIAMI
 BEACH HOODLUM, CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH BILTMORE TERRACE GROUP.

^{customs}
 CUSTOMS HAS NO INFO RE IDENTITY PLANE OR PILOT. ON JAN
 THIRTEEN LAST VINCENT J. HANARD, REGISTERED AGENT FOR CUBAN
 GOVT., WHO HAS FURNISHED SOME RELIABLE INFO IN PAST AND IS
 IN POSITION TO KNOW, ADVISED RELIABLE SOURCE TOLD HIM PLANE
 FLOWN JAN TWELVE WAS TWIN ENGINE BEEHCRAFT, SN N THREE EIGHT
 Z, RENTED FROM LIBERTY AVIATION CO., MIAMI, IN NAME BERNARD
JAFFEE. HANARD CLAIMED PLANE LEFT MIAMI ELEVEN A. M. JAN
 ELEVEN, FLEW TO MERIDA, YUCATAN, MEXICO, THEN TO CONSUMER
 PAREN PH END PAREN ISLAND, MEXICO, THEN FLEW TO CUBA, DROPPED
 BOMBS, RETURNED MIAMI ELEVEN AM, JAN THIRTEEN. ON JAN.

THIRTEEN PCI ROY KATON, ARMS DEALER INVOLVED IN CUBAN REVOLU-
 TIONARY ACTIVITIES, SAID CHARLES WILLIAM HORMEL, NOTORIOUS
 ARMS SMUGGLER AND PILOT, SAID ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA CONTACTED
 HIM TO FLY MEN AND MUNITIONS FROM NEW ORLFANS AND/OR MOBILE
 TO UNDESIGNATED SPOT IN MEXICO. HORMEL SAID FERNANDEZ
 MIRANDA-S GROUP HAS MACHINE GUNS, PHOSPHORUS AND DYNAMITE

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IN NEW ORLEANS AND MOBILE AND ARE FLYING IT TO MEXICO IN
 B TWO FIVE AIRPLANES. PHOSPHORUS AND DYNAMITE TO BE USED
 TO BLOW UP AND BURN SUGAR CANE FIELDS AND REFINERIES IN
 CUBA. HORMEL TOLD KATON THAT ON JAN ELEVEN LAST TWO
 PLANE LOADS OF GUNS FLOWN OUT OF U. S. AND OVER PAST SEVERAL
 WEEKS ABOUT NINE HUNDRED MEN HAVE BEEN FLOWN TO SECRET
 ENCAMPMENT IN MEXICO WHERE BATISTA GROUP REPORTEDLY FORMING
 INVASION FORCE. HORMEL SAID HE TURNED DOWN MIRANDA-S OFFER
 AND THAT MONEY ARRANGEMENTS TO BE HANDLED BY NORMAN ROTHMAN
 WHO OBTAINS MONEY FROM MRS. FULGENCIO BATISTA, RESIDING
 DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. MOBILE AND NEW ORLEANS ADVISE U. S.
 CUSTOMS AND BORDER PATROL LOCALLY, INASMUCH AS THESE VIOLATIONS
 UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION. MIAMI WILL ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP
 FURTHER DETAILS AND NOTIFY BUREAU. ~~TED WHITEHOUSE~~, PILOT
 AND FORMER HEAD OF CUBAN CAA, RESIDING BILTMORE TERRACE
 HOTEL, CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH ROTHMAN, ADVISED TODAY HE DOUBTED
 FLIGHT ON JAN TWELVE WAS MADE FROM U. S. U. S. BORDER PATROL
 OF SAME OPINION. WASHINGTON FIELD CHECK FAA FOR OWNERSHIP
 TWIN ENGINE BEEHCRAFT, SN N THREE EIGHT Z. LIBERTY AVIATION
 DISCLAIMS ANY KNOWLEDGE THIS PLANE.

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