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On July 22, 1965, Mr. STANLEY SCHACHTER, U.S.  
Customs, Miami, advised that Customs is still conducting  
investigation of the alleged actions proposed by LPN.  
He said that there have been some indications that this  
organization is accelerating its activities but that this  
is not unusual because the organization has been "blowing  
hot and cold" ever since it was organized, without ever  
accomplishing anything.

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MM T-1 is MM 639-S.

MM T-2 is CARLOS ZARRAGE MARTINEZ, Key Source

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LOS PINOS NUEVOS, also known as  
The New Pines (LPN)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA  
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Previous investigation has reflected that the Los Pinos Nuevos (LPN) is an anti-FIDEL CASTRO organization of Cuban exiles headquartered in Miami, under the leadership of ZACARIAS ACOSTA GARCIA, and that this organization has been making plans for a raid against Cuba in their 26' vessel THE LIBERTY, which is kept in the Miami area.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

On June 15, 1965, GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, 1036 S.W. 5th Street, Miami, an American soldier of fortune and adventurer, who has been associated with ZACARIAS ACOSTA for the past year, advised that the LPN has been unable to execute any military mission against Cuba. One of HEMMING's associates, "Little JOE" GARMAN, has been working as technical adviser for ACOSTA up until about 2 months ago. During that time GARMAN found that ACOSTA and his associates had been paying considerable sums of money for arms. GARMAN examined these weapons and found they were inoperative. Some of these weapons had welded barrels, some had missing parts and many of them could never be made operative.

After several months of association with ACOSTA and his men, GARMAN concluded, according to HEMMING, that the LPN lacked experience and technical "know how"

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for any successful mission against Cuba. He also regarded their equipment as being inadequate, consequently GARMAN advised ACOSTA and his men to save their money and either forget about mounting a mission against Cuba or to join some group which had more experience. GARMAN left the LPN in disgust and is no longer associated with it.

HEMMING expressed the opinion that the LPN has no potential for any serious action against Cuba.

On July 22, 1965, MM T-1, an individual who is personally acquainted with leading members of the LPN, advised that during the past 2 years he had conferred on numerous occasions with ACOSTA and other members of the organization, concerning their military plans, but nothing had ever developed and MM T-1 had reached the conclusion that this organization has little, if any, potential for military action. He pointed out that the LPN lacks experience, military equipment, and adequate means of transportation. He advised he has no evidence the LPM has any immediate plans for action against Cuba.

On July 23, 1965, MM T-2, a Cuban exile who has been active in Cuban revolutionary matters in the Miami area for the past 5 years, advised that ZACARIAS ACOSTA, former Mayor of Regla, Cuba, is closely associated with former members of the BATISTA regime and has obtained some money and other contributions from these persons over the past 2 years, and has accumulated some military equipment.

MM T-2 said that LPN is a very small group, it hopes to accomplish some military action against Cuba, but