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Floyd PARK, also known as Floyd PARKS.

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Please refer to your 14451 dated 18th December, in which you enquired if PARK had come to notice in British Honduras.

2. Our representative in Jamaica has informed us that according to his source in British Honduras PARK visited British Honduras five times during 1963. One visit, which has some significance, was from 14th August until 11th November 1963. PARK returned to British Honduras on 19th June and is, apparently, still there, examining prospects for sugar cane cultivation at Chunnox in Corozal.
3. PARK was interviewed by the security authorities on 22nd June and gave the following information about himself. He owned a private "Howard" aeroplane which he piloted himself, based on McAllen, Texas. The aircraft's registration number was N.9442 and PARK admitted that he had at one time used the aeroplane to smuggle textiles and whiskey into Mexico from the U.S.A. and British Honduras. He claimed, however, that he did not smuggle into the U.S.A. and British Honduras. Since 1962, however, because freight rates had fallen to fifteen cents per pound, he had given up all smuggling activities.
4. When he was questioned about RORKE and SULLIVAN, PARK admitted that he did know something about them. He said that in late September or early October 1963 while he was in Texas he read an article in the American Argosy magazine calling for information about them. The article recalled to PARK a meeting he had had with two Americans and a third man, described as of a "Latin-type", at about 10.30 a.m. at Belize City airport on 25th September 1963. He identified the Americans as RORKE and SULLIVAN from their description in the article and photographs later distributed in leaflet form offering a reward for information leading to their present whereabouts.
5. PARK recalled that when the Belize meeting took place he was waiting to pilot his own aircraft to Chunnox. He noticed, standing at the terminal, a two-engined "Beechcraft" aeroplane, painted blue, white and gold. The "Beechcraft" struck him as an unusual aircraft to find in Belize, but although he examined it, he could not recall its registration number or any other identifying particulars.
6. When he got back to the reception lounge at the airport, the two Americans introduced themselves - presumably by name, but this is not clear - as owners of the 'plane. They were accompanied by the "Latin-type" man, but he was not introduced. PARK thought that the Latin was about 30 years of age.
7. The Americans said that they were fuelling their aircraft to fly to Tegucigalpa in the Republic of Honduras. They did not volunteer their reason for the trip and PARK asked no questions. PARK left Belize before they did.
8. Having remembered all this, PARK rang the editor of "Argosy" and as a result received calls from Mr. RORKE Senior and a man with the title "Captain" but whose name PARK did not catch. Both sought full information; PARK understood that the aircraft had been hired from the Captain.

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9. The security authorities in British Honduras have checked PARK's story as far as they can and are not satisfied that he told the truth, for the following reasons:

- (a) checks at the Airport Control show no flight plan at all in 1963 for PARK in his own machines entering or leaving British Honduras;
- (b) no one at Chunnox could confirm that PARK was there on 25th September 1963 (this is not conclusive; enquiries at Chunnox proved difficult);
- (c) none of the people at the airport who might be expected to remember a "Beechcraft" - the Chief Civil Aviation Officer, the Airport Manager, Customs and Immigration personnel, the Esso employees, etc. - could remember any such aircraft.

10. When he was confronted with all this, PARK insisted that he was telling the truth. He suggested that the Beechcraft's flight had been clandestine and connected with anti-Communist activity in the Republic of Honduras - an unlikely story which he supported by saying that the Latin could have been a Cuban agent who had defected and who later "sold out" BORKE and SULLIVAN to the Republic of Honduras Government. He went on to say that early in January he had heard that after the coup in the Republic many pro-Castro people had been deported to Cuba and they included two Americans.

11. The inconsistencies in all this need no underlining. The security authorities, British Honduras, do not believe PARK and think that the whole story is a lie to gain some kind of reward from Mr. BORKE Senior.

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