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Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination, and one copy each for Cincinnati, New York, San Juan and Washington Field Offices.

It is to be noted that ANGEL ORLANDO BERISIARTU contacted the Cincinnati Office before coming recently to Miami, and he offered his services repeatedly to the U. S. Government. On 2-7-62, he voluntarily came to the Miami Office to repeat his offer of cooperation. He now resides with his wife at 1002 W. Palm Avenue, Hialeah, Florida.

On 2-7-62, BERISIARTU advised that he was in the process of planning a new organization to be known as the HEMISPHERIC FREEDOM FUND to promote the fight against Communism in Cuba. He also advised that he had drawn up a military-political plan to overthrow CASTRO which he desired to present to the United States for consideration. He said that he has no present contacts with CIA, although he had made anti-CASTRO propaganda broadcasts from a boat at sea near Miami while associated with MANOLO RAY and JOSE MANUEL ESTEVEZ of the Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo in March and April 1961. He claimed that this was done in cooperation with CIA at that time.

(On 4-10-62, Mr. RAY DUBOIS, CIA, Miami, advised that BERISIARTU had at one time been in touch with someone in CIA concerning an MRP propaganda broadcasting plan, but that nothing

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had ever materialized so far as his records reflected. DUBOIS said he possessed no derogatory information on BERISIARTU, who had been a close friend of MANOLO RAY, who is now in Puerto Rico). (u)

On 3-6-62, BERISIARTU furnished a typed report in Spanish concerning "THE HEMISPHERIC FREEDOM FUND", and another report entitled "ACTIVITIES IN THE CUBAN AFFAIR", relating to his plan of action against CASTRO. Translations have been made of both these reports, but neither is being furnished the Bureau for dissemination in view of BERISIARTU's very questionable reliability.

On 4-12-62, after he refused to produce alleged handwriting specimens of CIENFUEGOS as promised by him, he was asked by SA GEORGE E. DAVIS, JR., if he would be willing to take a lie detector test. He answered in the negative, stating that would be beneath his dignity.

Attention is directed to his failure to produce evidence after offering to do so, and his unwillingness to take a lie detector test.

Ever since the disappearance of CIENFUEGOS in October 1959, it has been presumed that he is dead. However, the corpus delicti was never produced nor were any traces of his companions and his plane ever found.

In view of BERISIARTU's alleged efforts to sell the rights to this story of CIENFUEGOS to Time Magazine, it is felt that representatives of that concern may contact the Bureau for confirmation.

Copies of this communication are furnished Cincinnati, New York, San Juan and the WFO for information purposes, but Miami feels that BERISIARTU's allegations are undeserving of further investigation in the absence of additional information.

Also, Miami is giving no further consideration to the development of BERISIARTU as a PSI.

In the event the HEMISPHERIC FREEDOM FUND materializes, this office will conduct appropriate investigation. Translations of the two reports furnished by BERISIARTU, described above, are being retained by Miami in this case.

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