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SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (SNFE) (OPERATION ALPHA - 66); MOVIMIENTO REVOLÚCIONARIO DEL PUEBLO (MRP) - ALIANZA REVOLUCIONARIA (REVOLUTIONARY ALLIANCE) (3/21/95 - 5668 SLD/GCL- JFK

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NY T-1 advised that since Major ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, military leader of the Second National Front of Escambray (SNFE) - ALPHA 66 - Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP), was captured in Cuba in late January, 1965, there was a noticeable lack of activity among representatives of the organization in the New York area. Detective JOHN CAULFIELD, NYCPD, advised that the SNFE - ALPHA 66-MRP sponsored a demonstration in front of the United Nations (UN) building on 4/4/65. This demonstration was to show endorsement of President LYNDON B. JOHNSON's policies in Viet Nam and to show disapproval of the Communist takeover in Cuba and North Viet Nam. NY T-2 advised that JOAQUIN GODOY of the MRP contacted him in order to get in contact with JAMES B. DONOVAN, a New York attorney, and US Senator RCDERT F. KENNEDY to see if an exchange could be arranged with Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO in order to obtain the release of ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO. NY T-3 advised that a commemorative coin was being minted for the purpose of raising funds for the SNFE - ALPHA 66- MRP. HUMBERTO ARGUELLES, delegate of the SNFE-ALPHA 66-MRP, advised that the organization has not sponsored any activities recently, that it has encountered numerous financial difficulties

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and that there does not appear to be any solution to their

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DETAILS:

NY T-1, on March 24, 1965, stated that since Major ELOYECUTIERREZAMENOYO, military leader of the Second National Front of Escambray, (SNFE) - ALPHA 66 - Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP), was captured in Cuba in late January, 1965, there has been a noticeable lack of activity on the part of representatives of this organization in the New York area.

NY T-1 stated that in January, 1965, he had received a letter from MIRIAM TESTE, a member of the organization in Miami, advising that the organization would soon carry out military action inside Cuba. Since GUTIERREZ MENOYO's capture by the Cuban Government in late January, 1965, NY T-1, said that he has received no further word from MIRIAM TESTE, nor has he received any more requests for financial help.

Detective JOHN CAULFIELD, Bureau of Special Services, (BSS), New York City Police Department (NYCPD), on April 1, 1965, advised that the SNFE - ALPHA 66 - MRP would sponsor a demonstration in front of the United Nations Secretariat. building on April 4, 1965. Detective CAULFIELD stated that the SNFE - ALPHA 66 - MRP had been given permission by the Police Department to demonstrate from 12:00 noon until 2:00 PM on April 4, 1965.

The April 4, 1965, issue of "El Diario - La Prensa", a Spanish language newspaper published daily in New York City, carried an article concerning a picket of the United Nations on April 4, 1965. This news article stated that there was much enthusiasm among exiled Cubans in favor of a demonstration against the Communists with the endorsement of the policies of President LYNDON B. JOHNSON against North Viet Nam, which would take place at 1:00 PM in front of the United Nations building on April 4, 1965.