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A. Birth of the D. R. I. L. and First Known Manifestations.

- 1. Middle of 1957: There was established in Cuba, under the BATISTA Government, a clandestine movement known as the "Spanish Democratic Front." (F. D. E.) It came out into the open at the end of 1958.

Supporting it: The Spanish subject MULEY-MORE ABDERRAMAN, otherwise PEPE, who emigrated to Latin America at the end of 1954, on the occasion of an International Congress of Genealogy organized in Peru.

The new group maintained correspondence with similar groups in Mexico, Venezuela, Colombia, France and Argentina.

- 2. March - April 1959: A congress, announced in the Venezuelan press, gathered in Caracas the former army men who fought in Spain.

At this congress, there began the union of the Spanish Fighters which undertook to group all the anti-FRANCO organizations of the world, with a view to common action aiming at overthrowing the FRANCO Government. We should note here that the word "Fighters" (Combatants) must be understood in the sense of "Militants" and that it does not refer only to the former combatants of the Civil War.

Adhering to it: the Venezuelan citizen ROJO-RUIZ (RAFAEL MARIA), of Spanish origin, who emigrated to Venezuela around 1946 - 1947.

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This group contacted:

- the "Spanish Democratic Movement" in Mexico (LIZANIA (ANTONIO): Delegate)
- the "Spanish Liberation Movement" of Colombia (working with Venezuela).
- the "Spanish Democratic Front" in Cuba (MULEY-MORE: Delegate)

Leaders: Dr. LOPEZ de GOICOCHEA;  
Colonel RODRIGUEZ (ADONIS);  
Commander del PINO (VICTOR).

- the "Portuguese Independent Movement" in Portugal. (Secretary: Captain GALVAO (HENRICO), Professor at the Caracas University)

- the "Active anti-Franquist Alliance" in France (one of the leaders is JOSE del BARRIO)

- the "Union of the Spanish Combatants" in Marrocco

- Spanish refugees, not grouped, in Canada (LIZANIA (ANTONIO), Delegate)

3. October 1959: on account of his activities within the "Spanish Democratic Front" (Cuba), PEPE was invited to Caracas by the "Union of the Spanish Combatants."
4. His contacts were especially with VELO (JOSE). The latter asked him to go to Europe and more particularly to Paris, to a congress of the different anti-Franquist organizations; the purpose of that congress was to bring closer together the different views which manifested themselves in those organizations, with a view to common action against the present Spanish Government. It was in a way the counterpart to the Caracas Congress.
5. It may be assumed that it was at that time that the D. R. I. L., the final constitution of which dates from February 15, 1960, was created in Caracas, on the initiative of the "Union of the Spanish Combatants."

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For indeed:

1: two delegates were sent from Caracas to Paris; the first one, "PEPE," who represents the "Spanish Democratic Front" of Cuba; the second one, SOPRA (JOSE) who represents the "Union of the Spanish Combatants" of Venezuela. They left Caracas 19/XI/1959 (November 18, 1959).

LIZANIA (ANTONIO) likewise was sent as representing Mexico (Spanish Democratic Movement) and Canada;

2: after the failure of the Paris Congress (15/12/1959: December 15, 1959) which could not take place because it was sabotaged by the anti-Franquist organizations of France, VELO informed "PEPE" that the "D. R. I. L." had decided to act on its own;

3: At that time already, the "D. R. I. L." could depend on the support of <sup>(S)</sup>very active anti-Franquist group in Toulouse. This group was led by VALAT (YVON); "PEPE," from his very arrival in France, was going back and forth between Paris and Toulouse.

B. Final Constitution of the "D. R. I. L." Its Aims.

6. 15/2/1960 (February 15, 1960): The "D. R. I. L." is finally constituted in Caracas.

7. Its ultimate goals are: the overthrow of the Government now in power in Spain, and the substitution of a Federation of Iberian States, on the basis of the ethnic groups (Andalusia, Navarre, etc..., including Portugal).

8. Its immediate aims are:

a/ to explore all the anti-Franquist groups throughout the world and, if possible, to unify them under its care;

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b/ to recruit in these same groups resolute and reliable men, who could, within a near or distant future, carry out specific missions according to their special methods (for example: acts of sabotage).

c/ to look in those groups for supporting points, rallying and message centers, lodging centers (for instance: Liege);

d/ to arouse in democratic countries and quarters, feelings of sympathy, even support;

e/ in Spain itself: to follow on the spot the political evolution;

: to recruit henchmen;

: to create, by suitable means (for example, criminal attempts) an atmosphere, a psychosis, which would undermine Spanish economy and further the carrying out of its ultimate purpose;

f/ to obtain its recognition by the refugee Spanish Republican Government which the "D. R. I. L." has already obtained. The "D. R. I. L." recognizes the sole authority of the President of the Refugee Spanish Government.

It should be noted that the Prime Minister was replaced recently, because he did not endorse the methods of the "D. R. I. L."

C. Known Activities of the "D. R. I. L." (continued).

In chronological order:

9. January 1960: "PEPE's" mission to France, notably in Paris and Narbonne;

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10. February 10, 1960: in Toulouse, "PEPE" recruits "JUANJO" as an agent for information and execution;
11. February 1960: VELO sends to "PEPE" the text of a manifesto on the aims of the "D. R. I. L." This manifesto should be given the widest publicity;
12. February - March 1960: "JUANJO's" mission of information in Spain and return to Toulouse;
13. February 17, 1960: terrorist outrages in Madrid;
14. March 14, 1960: arrival in Paris, from Caracas, of RAFAEL MARIA, commande of the "D. R. I. L.," entrusted with various missions in France, Belgium, Italy and Yugoslavia.
15. March 12, 1960: arrival in Liege of "RAFAEL-MARIA" and exploring of the anti-Franquist centers of Liege and Brussels, and France;
16. April 1, 1960: arrival in Liege of "JUANJO" who is to await instructions there;  
  
Present in Liege MARTINEL DONOSO, one of those involved in the Madrid outrages of February 17, 1960;
17. April 10, 1960: "JUANJO's" return to Toulouse;
18. April 1960: "PEPE's" propaganda activity in the French intellectual quarters of Paris ("France-Presse," "Le Monde.");
19. June 1960: RAFAEL-MARIA's mission in France (Toulouse) and in Italy, especially in Genoa, where "PEPE" is;
20. June 22, 1960: "JUANJO" goes to Barcelona, on orders from "PEPE," to carry out bomb outrages;
21. "JUANJO" recruits there "MARINO" whom he entrusts with an information mission in Madrid;
22. June 26, 1960: "JUANJO" goes to Paris to spread a manifesto of the "D. R. I. L." among the press;

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- 23. July 8, 1960: "JUANJO" returns to Liege; mission -  
journeys (to Essen, Germany);
- 24. July 15, 1960: "RAFAEL-MARIA's" mission to Yugoslavia;
- 25. July 21, 1960: ELOY's arrival in Brussels; his mission.

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