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Rogue was described by the source as follows:

Age:	Approximately 28 to 30 years
Height:	5'8"
Weight:	140 pounds
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Black
Language	
Ability:	Speaks English well
Marital	
Status:	Married to Magaly Gonzales de Roque, described as a large woman of the same age as her husband, 5'8" in height, weighing about 145 pounds, with black hair and eyes. Magaly Gonzales was pregnant in July, 1963.

Our source had additionally learned that during the period prior to the successful Castro revolution in Cuba, Roque had resided in the United States but had returned to Cuba when Castro seized power.

From information furnished by our source, it is believed Roberto Roque is identical with the subject of the referenced memorandum and attempts are being made by this Bureau to determine if Roque may currently be active in intelligence operations against this country. If such is the case, the possibility exists Roque may be carrying on such activity under the guise of diplomatic or official government duty from a Cuban diplomatic post in Canada. (S)

The files of this Bureau indicated that a confidential source abroad has furnished information indicating one Roberto Roque Perez, possibly identical with the subject, arrived in Toronto, Canada, on April 19, 1963, destined to the Cuban Foreign Trade Enterprises in Montreal, Quebec. This individual was described as having been born November 15, 1935, in Cuba and upon his arrival in Canada he stated the purpose of his visit was for an "agricultural mission" until July 19, 1963. Roberto Roque Perez carried Cuban diplomatic passport number D/63/217. (S)

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The confidential source abroad subsequently furnished information indicating one Roberto Roque, possibly identical with Roberto Roque Perez mentioned above, departed Canada for Cuba aboard a Cuban airplane on May 15, 1963. (S)

When Roque Perez entered Canada on April 19, 1963, he was accompanied by the following individuals, all Cuban officials, who indicated they were in Canada for purposes of an official visit in connection with an agricultural mission:

José Ramon Garcia, born November 10, 1930  
Robert Guido Sanchez, born April 12, 1930  
Mercedes Llanos Garcia, born May 5, 1928  
Antonio Moreno, born November 5, 1930  
Mauricio Pedrosa Aragon, born December 9, 1930  
Giraldo Viteria Gonzalez, born July 20, 1927  
Gabriel Angel Salazar Arenales, born August 2, 1930

You are requested to furnish any information you may have which would assist in evaluating the activities of captioned individual as a controlling agent for Cuban intelligence activities in this country. You are requested to furnish information you may have pertaining to captioned individual, Roberto Roque Perez, and the latter's fellow travelers from Cuba who arrived in Canada on April 19, 1963. This Bureau is particularly desirous of obtaining photographs of Roberto Roque Perez if such photographs are available. (S)

NOTE TO SAC, NEW YORK:

(S) Legat, Ottawa, letter 11/14/63, entitled "Crossover, FBI - Cuba," which furnished information from RCMP regarding subject. Results of CIA's efforts in compliance with Bureau's request will be furnished upon receipt. (S)

Miami letter 10/28/63 furnished your office copies of photographs of Roberto Augustin Roque Perez and set out lead for those photographs to be exhibited to Crossover to determine if the pictured individual was identical with subject. Bufile contains no indication this lead has been covered. Exhibit photographs to Crossover immediately and advise Bureau results. (S)

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[Crossover] is a Cuban [alien] who has been cooperating  
[as a double agent] (S) He was [recruited] in Cuba in 1959 by [Rogue]  
and information furnished indicates [Rogue] frequently visits  
Canada and has close relatives in New York City. Possibility  
exists subject may be directing intelligence activities from  
Canada if he is the individual who [recruited our double agent.] (S)

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received through the Bureau's [operation of double agent] (S) RCMP  
furnished results of a review of its files regarding associates  
of [Rogue Perez] and limited further dissemination. (S) Our files  
show much of the information received from [RCMP] in instant  
case had been previously received under other captions without  
limitation on dissemination. Only that data received from  
[RCMP] without mentioned limitation is being furnished [CIA] herein. (S)  
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