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Re: PEDRO LUIS PINERO AIRIN  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Pedro Luis Pinero Airin is a third secretary of the Cuban Mission to the United Nations (CMUN), New York City, residing at 401 East 71th Street, apartment 5K, New York City.

On June 4, 1969, source, a Cuban exile residing in Miami, Florida, furnished the following information:

Around the beginning of January, 1969, he received a communication from a close relative in Cuba asking source to telephone her urgently. Source then telephoned his relative in Cuba who told him she was sending source a letter through a man named "Marcelino" who would be traveling to the United States in a few days; that this letter had some information of importance to both of them.

Two or three weeks later, around the beginning of February, 1969, source received a telephone call from a man identifying himself as "Marcelino", saying he had just arrived from Cuba and was then at the Freedom House in Miami. Source asked "Marcelino" to wait there so he could meet him and to pick up the letter from his relative in Cuba. "Marcelino" replied that this was not possible because he was leaving for New York at that moment, but would contact the source as soon as he arrived in New York.

The following day source received another telephone call in Miami from "Marcelino" who now told source that he was at the Freedom Tower in Miami because his departure to New York had been postponed. Again "Marcelino" stated he could not meet source as he was then leaving for New York, but told source not to worry about his relative's letter because he would soon be recontacting the source.

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Source added that since the above contacts by "Marcelino", several persons arriving from Cuba on the Freedom Flights have contacted him to tell him that his relative in Cuba urged him not to leave Miami and not to travel by plane, as he was being watched by the Cuban Intelligence Service (CIS) and they knew all his movements. These persons also mentioned that source's relative in Cuba is forced by CIS to contact him, and she urged him not to pay any attention to "Marcelino" because he is a member of the CIS.

Source continued that he received another telephone call in Miami from "Marcelino" on April 1, 1969. At that time "Marcelino" stated he was in New York, and asked source to meet him in New York on April 6, 1969. "Marcelino" stated he would send source the plane fare to New York.

On April 2, 1969, source received a telephone call in Miami from an unidentified caller who had a different voice from that of "Marcelino". This caller told source that he should come to an agreement with "Marcelino" and cooperate with him. That same day source received a second call from this unidentified person who told source that they knew all about him, his address and his family, and to impress upon source how serious this matter really was, they were going to give him a "bad scare". That same evening, a car followed him for several blocks at which time two shots were fired towards his car, in an apparent effort to scare him.

Source continued that on April 5, 1969, he received another telephone call in Miami from "Marcelino" who asked source if he had received the travel fare to New York. Source replied in the negative, so "Marcelino" told him he would send him the fare. "Marcelino" told source to meet him in New York on Sunday, April 13, 1969. Source did not go to New York to meet "Marcelino".

Source continued that on April 18 or April 20, 1969, he received another cable from his relative in Cuba who asked him to telephone her immediately. He telephoned this relative who told source that "Marcelino" was very angry because source

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had not kept the appointment, and she urged him to meet "Marcelino".

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Source stated that on May 24, 1969, he received two United States Postal Money Orders totaling \$140.00. They were sent by "Marcelino" Gutierrez Guzman. *WJH*

*Name used: [unclear] contact with subj. 201-824376*  
On May 25, 1969, source received another call from "Marcelino" asking him if he had received the money orders,

On June 18, 1969, source advised that on that date he was again telephoned in Miami by "Marcelino" who asked source to meet him at a designated area and time on June 22, 1969, in the New York City area. Source told "Marcelino" he was agreeable to such a meeting.

On June 23, 1969, source advised that he met "Marcelino" in New York on June 22, 1969. He picked out a photograph of Pedro Luis Pinero Airin as the person who met him and introduced himself as "Marcelino". When source first saw "Marcelino" at the meeting site he was accompanied by a person whom source identified from a photograph as Miguel M. Santana Fraiz. *4*

As of June 1, 1969, Santana Fraiz is listed as an attache with the CMUN, who resides at 6 East 67th Street, New York City.

Source stated Santana Fraiz was not introduced to him, but was actually standing at a distance from Pinero Airin, apparently acting as a lookout.

In the above meeting Pinero Airin introduced himself to source by handing him a letter from source's relative in Cuba and also by giving source some photographs of two members of his family in Cuba. Source stated the letter is definitely in the handwriting of his relative and states in part: "the only problem is that before we can leave Cuba they want to exchange ideas with you, that is why I must write this letter as a means of identification for the person who is to interview you, in this case an agent of the government, with the fictitious name Marcelino."..... "So that you may have the freedom of expressing yourself and in deciding what you think is necessary I must make the following clear to you: 1. Our exit is held

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back until the interview is made. 2. We are in our house waiting for the solution you give this. Mother and I appreciate your understanding."

Immediately after reading the above letter, Pinero Airin told source that his name is really not "Marcelino", that he works for the Cuban Mission to the United Nations. He did not tell source his true name.

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed the above meeting, and identified Pedro Luis Pinero Airin as the person who conversed with the source, and identified Miguel M. Santana Fraiz as the person conducting a counter surveillance of this meeting.

Source stated that during the above meeting with Pinero Airin he noticed Santana Fraiz observing them. He asked Pinero Airin who this person was, and he replied that this was one of his men who had a USI machine gun in the case he was carrying; that they were taking no chances, as they did not know whether source would come armed and attempt to harm them.

Pinero Airin told source that the Cuban Revolution needs honest and hard-working persons like himself to help them, and then proceeded to tell source about source's background, including his anti-Castro activities in Cuba in 1959. He told source that many persons who worked for the CIA against Cuba and who are now imprisoned in Cuba now realize what a good thing the Cuban Revolution is. As an example, Pinero Airin mentioned "Gallego" and Anibel Garcia who are now in a Cuban prison. 44

Pinero Airin then talked at length about the problems in the United States such as expensive education and medical care, and also about the narcotic problem in the United States. He stated that in Cuba they did not have these

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problems as education and medical care are free.

Pinero Airin then mentioned that President Nixon vacations in the Miami area, and the President's good friend "Bebe Rebozo" is a good friend of Edgardo Butari and his son. Butari and his son are good friends of Manuel Artime.

Manuel Artime is the head of the Movimiento Recuperacion Revolucionario, an inactive anti-Castro organization formerly with headquarters in Miami.

Pinero Airin stated that if the United States Government ever conducts any large scale activities against Cuba that Manuel Artime will probably be one of the leaders. Pinero Airin added that he knows of a meeting Edgardo Butari had with a United States Army captain Oliva, first name possibly Enello, who was a leader of Brigade 2506 during the Bay of Pigs Invasion of Cuba in 1961. Pinero Airin stated he is interested in the activities of Butari, as he is fairly close to President Nixon.

Pinero Airin continued that Niño Diaz has a boat named "Venus", and this boat is now in Puerto Rico. He stated Diaz has been collecting money in the Miami area for anti-Castro activities. He also stated that Manuel Villafana is working for the CIA in Colombia along with Jorge De La Osa and Manuel Garcia, also known as Bichinchi. He stated that a man named Rodriguez and a Vilavoa (phonetic) were working for CIA in Bolivia and were involved in the capture and death of Che Guevara.

Pinero Airin asked source if he knew Comandante Mendez of the anti-Castro Cuban exile group in Miami known as Alfa 66. Pinero Airin mentioned that Mendez and a man named Pacheco are bragging about plans to infiltrate Cuba.

Pinero Airin then told source that the CIA has some operation involving Cuba at Homestead Air Force Base and he wants to find out what this operation is about. He stated he is also interested in some CIA operation involving Cubans in

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the Florida Keys, somewhere around Islamorada.

Pinero Airin added that a group known as the Ejercito Libertador, which is a small group of Cubans formed by some members of Brigade 2506, are trying to obtain boats to go to Cuba. He stated this group will fail, as did a group from RECE (Representacion Cubana En El Exilio) (Cuban Representation in Exile) which was not even able to get as far as the mangroves in Cuba a couple of weeks ago, all members being captured.

RECE is an anti-Castro organization.

Source stated that Pinero Airin advised he would telephone source in one or two weeks in Miami, to arrange for another meeting.

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