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MEMORANDUM FOR: C/OPS/OSG/OC

SUBJECT : CONTE Aguerro, Louis
#244 508

REFERENCE : Request for POA dated 28 October 1975

1. The Subject was a former radio and TV Commentator in Cuba and a former close confidant of Castro. He entered the United States as an exile from Cuba in April 1960. He was polygraphed on 12 May 1960 at the request of CI Staff as a possible "PP asset". It appears that subsequent to this he was working for an Agency asset AMCORE 1 (Abel MESTRE) "on propaganda for the FRD". On 18 April 1961 a POA was officially requested for Subject's use in connection with Project "JMATE" (JMARC).

2. The Alien Affairs Staff of the Office of Security was requested on several occasions to assist Subject in his dealings with the I&NS.

2 June 1960 - WH Division requested OS assistance in having Subject transfer his parole with I&NS from NYC to Miami. OS requested same from I&NS on 7 June 1960.

23 March 1961 - OS requested the Department of State to issue Subject a nonimmigrant visa at Buenos Aires, Argentina at the request of WH Division.

31 March 1961 - OS formally requested I&NS for parole of the Subject into the United States "in the furtherance of the national intelligence mission..."

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3. On 23 August 1974, the FBI reported that the Subject had allegedly threatened the life of the President of the United States and they requested any information available on the Subject. They - along with the US Secret Service - were advised that the Subject was a covert Agency asset from 1960 to 1969. They were advised that Subject was well known for his anti-Castro sentiments but did not appear to be of a violent nature. Both Agencies advised that if further information was needed they would re-contact the Office of Security. There have been no further inquiries to this date.

Edwal Jones
Deputy Director of Security
Personnel Security and Investigations

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