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26 October 1959

Chief, Alien Affairs Section

LANZ, Pedro Diaz - #202792

1. In view of the considerable amount of publicity which was given to the subject over the past weekend with regard to his allegedly having participated in a flight over Cuba from Florida during anti-Castro leaflets, Mr. [redacted] WJ Division, was telephonically contacted at 8:40 a.m. this date. Mr. [redacted] advised that CIA had nothing to do with these flights and had no advance notice of the fact that Pedro Diaz LANZ intended to participate. Mr. [redacted] stated that Bernard Reichardt, the WJ representative at Miami, has been in touch with the FBI with regard to this matter and also the FBI has been in touch with WJ representatives in this regard over the past weekend.

2. It is the understanding of this Office that subject was admitted into the United States as a lawfully admitted resident alien returning from a brief stay abroad.

3. Mr. [redacted] further advised that Mr. Reichardt is supposed to be in town today and upon his arrival, Mr. Reichardt will be put in touch with the writer in order that the complete story concerning the subject's immigration status, etc., can be obtained.

3. Colonel Edwards was briefed concerning the above at 8:50 a.m. this date and he suggested that we should assure that WJ has informed "the Mail" regarding the developments in this matter. This point was raised with Mr. [redacted] and he advised that various representatives of WJ have been keeping the Office of the DCI informed over the past weekend regarding these developments.

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