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BOMBINGS - MIAMI AREA  
JANUARY - JUNE, 1967

A. CONTACTS WITH [LUIS POSADA CARRILES.] ~~(S)~~(u)

[redacted] ~~(S)~~(u)  
1. On July 24, 1965, [redacted] in memo form information received from a reliable source. ~~(S)~~(u) This source was later identified as [LUIS POSADA CARRILES.] ~~(S)~~(u)

[POSADA] ~~(S)~~(u) advised that DIEGO BORGES was acting as an agent for three Americans who were seeking to buy pistols, explosives, blasting caps, hand grenades and silencers. The identity of the Americans was not known to [POSADA] although ~~(S)~~(u) he believed they were members of the Ku Klux Klan or possibly the John Birch Society. ~~(S)~~(u)

[POSADA] ~~(S)~~(u) provided the following background information concerning individuals involved with BORGES in the procurement of arms and munitions by the three Americans: ~~(S)~~(u)

HERMINIO DIAZ, 732 N. W. 3rd Street, Miami, Florida, sold sixty hand grenades (USMK II) to BORGES for delivery to Americans. DIAZ received from BORGES three hundred sixty dollars for grenades but delivered only forty. Subsequently, BORGES asked source to go to DIAZ and either pick up other twenty grenades or the one hundred twenty dollars in cash which they represented. ~~(S)~~(u)

RAMON ESCARDA, 620 S. W. 9th Street, who served in the U. S. Army, 1958-1959, was supposed to obtain one hundred pounds of pentolite for delivery to BORGES for \$320-350. ~~(S)~~(u)

FRANK TAMAYO, 3213 S. W. 8th Street, Miami, active in anti-CASTRO activities, sold .622 caliber silencers to Americans for \$1,000. ~~(S)~~(u)

Source gave descriptions of three Americans and also recorded license plate of car utilized by group. ~~(S)~~(u)

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Departmental Attorney JOHNSON further recommended that LUIS POSADA be contacted in regard to the present address of ALBERTO LARRAIN-MAESTRE, who is a Narcotics fugitive. ~~XXXX~~

This meet between source and MAESTRE would be covered by Bureau Agents and Agents of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics. The purpose of coverage would be to establish the present whereabouts of the fugitive so that his arrest could be effectuated. It is the opinion of Departmental Attorney JOHNSON that MAESTRE could possibly be used as a witness against FRANK ROSENTHAL and NORMAN ROTHMAN regarding their involvement in bombing matters. ~~XXXX~~ (4)

On July 7, 1967, a conference was held at the request of Departmental Attorney JOHNSON. In attendance at this conference were JAMES DURANT and DAVE GOODHART of the State's Attorney's Office, Dade County, Florida, and SAs SWINNEY and WELSH of the FBI.

The above mentioned course of action recommended by Departmental Attorney JOHNSON was fully explained to state authorities insofar as the involvement of ROSENTHAL. Although the general plan involving ROSENTHAL was explained to the local authorities, at no time was the source or the employer of source mentioned to local authorities.

Assistant States Attorney DURANT, when apprised of the sensitive source of information and the chance of requesting dismissal of indictment against ROSENTHAL, requested time in order that this proposal could be fully discussed with States Attorney GERSTEIN.

- INFORMANTS -

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