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Assistant Attorney General
Director, FBI

August 7, 1967

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**FRANK ANGELO FIORINI, and others
REPORTED PLANS TO BLOW UP CUBAN SHIP
IN MEXICAN PORT, POSSIBLY VERACRUZ
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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Reference is made to our previous communications in the captioned matter terminating with our communication of July 10, 1967.

Attached is a copy of a memorandum dated July 26, 1967, at Washington, D. C. Single copies of the 12 photographs and one copy of the telegraphic money order, which are referred to in the memorandum, are also attached. (S)

The confidential source abroad mentioned in the attached memorandum advised, in addition, that the attached material cannot be used as evidence. The source pointed out, however, that the original copy of the Mexican Army Report, properly certified; the original photographs; the telegraphic money order; and the record of the long distance telephone call at the Hotel Mante in Mexico which is also mentioned in the attached memorandum; could be produced in court upon completion of the proper diplomatic representation by the United States Government to the Mexican Government. The source furnished the attached material so that the United States Government would know what evidence could be made available if the Mexican Government accedes to a request to produce it. (S)

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Our investigation in this matter is continuing and the pertinent results will be made available to you.

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Enclosures - 14
1 - Miami (105-12890)
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NOTE: ~~SECRET~~ Subjects in this case were involved in unsuccessful anti-Castro plot to blow up ship in Mexico in April, 1967. [Based on information we developed, Mexican authorities located explosives which had been buried in Mexico by some of those involved prior to their return to United States.] (S)

Investigation is being conducted at specific request of Department which has indicated there are possible violations of Title 18, Section 956 (Conspiracy to injure property of a foreign government) and Title 22, Section 1934 (Unlicensed exportation of munitions).

Information being transmitted to Department is detailed report of discovery of explosives by Mexican authorities together with appropriate photographs. In addition, Mexican authorities were able to obtain copy of money order originating in Miami, Florida, addressed to one of those involved in Mexico, as well as record of telephone call made by one of subjects in Mexico to individual in Miami. (S)

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ENCLOSURES:

Enclosed are 13 copies of letterhead memorandum
dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCE:

Miami Airtel dated 7/1/67
Mexico City airtel dated 7/6/67
Bureau airtel dated 7/20/67

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SLIP (S)
DATE 7/29/67

ADMINISTRATIVE:

[Redacted Name]

Director, Mexican

Federal Security Police (DFS), has advised that, while the
material he has furnished this office may be prepared for
dissemination with the originating source protected, this
material may not be used as evidence. However, the original
copy of the Mexican Army Ordnance report, properly certified,
the original photographs, the telegraphic money order and the
record of long distance telephone call at the Hotel Mante
can be produced in court upon completion of the correct diplo-
matic representations by the United States government to the
government of Mexico. In that sense, the material presently
furnished by DFS is for information only, in order that the
United States government will know what evidence can be made
available if the Mexican government accedes to a request to
produce it.

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 - (2 - Miami, 105-128965C.D)
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It is noted that the telephone number in Miami called by FIORINI, referred to in enclosed LHM, appears to lack one digit as it was recorded. (S)

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SOURCE:

The confidential source abroad is [redacted] Director of DFS (by request). (S)

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LEAD:

MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO, D.F.

Will follow and report any developments in this matter. (u)

COPIES:

Dissemination of enclosed LHM is being made to the American Embassy and the CIA Station at Mexico, D.F. (S)(u) X

SUGGESTION FOR BUREAU:

The Bureau may wish to pass copies of the photographs mentioned in enclosed LHM to the Department and other interested agencies. (S) X

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July 26, 1967

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available a report dated May 8, 1967, prepared by the Mexican
Army, Department of Military Industry, which is set forth
verbatim as follows (translation from Spanish):

Department of Military Industry

Subject: Report on Assignment

Tecamachalco, Mexico City, May 8, 1967

To: Commanding General of the D.E.M. Brigade
Chief of the Department of Military Industry

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FRANK ANGELO FIORINI; ET AL
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Permit me to inform you on the results of the assignment given to me and Captain Antonio Olmos Del Moral at Ciudad Mante, Tamaulipas Plaza, May 2, 1967. (S)

I. Background Information. (S)

As is already known, the Secretary of the Government, through the (Mexican) Federal Security Police (D.F.S.), requested the cooperation of the technical personnel of this Department in the finding, identifying and destruction of some "bombs," detonators and other devices which, according to information obtained by the D.F.S., had been brought into the country and buried at a spot near the Mante-C. Victoria road, between kilometers 643 and 644. (S)

II. Location of the Zone and Spot Where the Explosives Were Found. (S)

As a result of the above request, the undersigned and Captain Olmos, accompanied by two agents of the D.F.S., went immediately to Ciudad Mante, Tamaulipas, and arrived at said plaza at 3:20 A.M., May 8, 1967. (S)

On the same day, at 8:00 A.M., we went to the indicated spot, between kilometers 643 and 644, for the purpose of determining the indicated zone where, according to the information, was located the spot where the explosives had been buried. (S)

At the end of four hours, we succeeded in finding the exact spot where the explosives had been buried, in a promontory bordering the left side of the road and approximately 15 meters from the road, between kilometers 642 and 643. The location is shown on Photographs No. 1 and 2. (S)

III. Location of the Explosives. (S)

In the above-mentioned area, in a zone no (S)

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larger than 25 meters, we unearthed the following: (S)

1) A "bomb" or a double explosive charge, wrapped in sections of a tire inner tube, and fastened by adhesive tape. Photographs 3 and 4. (S)

2) Four magnets, consisting of coiled spools especially positioned, in pairs, to fasten each of the explosive charges to metallic parts. Photographs 5 and 6. The magnets, like the charges, were found wrapped in sections of an inner tube. (S)

3) The detonators for the explosive charges. These were found wrapped in a plastic bag. Photograph No. 7. (S)

4) The remnants of an explosive charge. It is thought that farmers in the area accidentally discovered it and, in attempting to see its contents, destroyed it completely. Photograph No. 8. (S)

Of these remnants, the following were recovered separately: (S)

a) The explosive material. (S)

b) Fragments of a container, a blue plastic tape, labels from the factory which manufactured the explosive, remains of newspapers, pieces of plywood and pieces of a mesh, plastic cloth. Photograph No. 9. (S)

IV. Identification of the Explosive Material.
Visual Examination. (S)

Once all the items in the area had been unearthed, we proceeded to examine them in detail in order to attempt to identify them and ascertain as to what condition they were in so as to destroy them, should conditions warrant it. (S)

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The explosive inside is white in color and plastic-like. Its characteristics and potency are unknown. It will be necessary to conduct analyses to determine its class and type. (S)

It was ascertained that the explosive charge was not assembled and ready for detonation, since it did not contain the proper elements for starting, propagating and amplifying the detonation. PHOTOGRAPH No. 10 (S)

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b) Spools-magnets - There are four of them, and they consist of spools of approximately 3 x 2 x 1 inches, containing at their ends two metallic plates fastened by bolts. Each of these plates has a bore hole into which the small rods used to hold the charge are placed. On the side opposite that containing the bore hole, there is a metallic plate whose function is to serve as the surface which is connected by the magnet to any metallic surface. Photograph No. 11 (S)

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of 25 centimeters and a diameter of 7 to 8 millimeters. (S)

They are composed of a percussion mechanism,
a safety and an explosive charge. Photograph No. 12. (S)

Because of the condition in which they were
found and because they were found to be safe for handling
and transportation, they were not destroyed. (S)

V. Transportation of the Explosives and Their
Delivery to the D.F.S. (S)

The explosives (complete charge and recovered
remnants), detonators and magnets, perfectly wrapped
and packed, were brought to this city on the afternoon
of the 4th and were handed over to the Federal Security
Police on the morning of May 5, 1967. Later, at
11:30 A.M. on the same day, they were sent to a powder
magazine at the explosives plant; after having first
been examined by the Director of the D.F.S. The explosives
are now at the disposal of the proper authorities. (S)

Attached herewith are 12 photographs for
information purposes. (S)

Respectfully,

(S) Effective Suffrage, No Re-election
/s/ illegible
Jose Maria Navarro Barquero
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On July 5, 1967, the confidential source abroad also
made available a copy of a telegraphic money order originating
in Miami, Florida, in the amount of 2498 pesos (\$200 U.S.
currency), addressed to FRANK FOURGIS, Hotel Mante, Ciudad
Mante, Tamaulipas, dated April 13, 1967. On the reverse side (S)

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