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3. Will also attempt to determine if ANTONIO CALATAYUD was in New York City on or before 4/16/74.

## SAN JUAN:

# AT SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

Conduct appropriate investigation to identify author of the "Zero" letter sent to CARLOS PRIO SOCARRAS who is well known to the San Juan Office.

#### MIAMI:

## AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

- 1. Will report results of FBI Laboratory examination in this case.  $\backslash$
- 2. Will maintain close contact with informants and other logical sources for information leading to identity of "Zero," and will attempt to obtain typewriting specimens from logical suspects.
- 3. Will maintain close liaison with the Organized Crime Bureau, Dade County Public Safety Department, and Miami PD for information leading to the identity of "Zero."

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on 4/17/74, MM [1115] So who has many contacts among the Cuban exile community, reported that ROBERTO PARDO, son-in-law of TORRIENTE, expressed the opinion that a "business enemy" of TORRIENTE was responsible for his death. He said that at one time, TORRIENTE advocated military action against FIDEL CASTRO, but after realizing the futility of such action, TORRIENTE changed his opinion, and adopted a policy of co-existence with the CASTRO regime. PARDO said that the policy of the Frente de Liberacion Nacional de Cuba (FLNC) is opposed and feels that military action should not be abandoned. The FLNC has claimed credit for a series of bombings during the recent past

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On 4/22/77, MM 3142-PSI advised that on 4/21/74, Dr. MIRIAM BOSCH, former wife of ORLANDO BOSCH, disclosed that BOSCH had telephonedhis home a day or so previously, and told his eldest daughter, "I am fishing but don't worry, I am fine." Mrs. BOSCH expressed concern about the "Zero" organization and expressed the belief that BOSCH might be head of this group. She felt that the "O" might stand for the "O" in Orlando.

On 4/23/74, MM 974-S, who has many contacts among Cuban exiles in Miami, reported that ORLANDO BOSCH and ANTONIO CALATAYUD, head of the anti-CASTRO organization known as the Directorio Revolucionario were in New York City on the date that ARTURO RODRIGUEZ RIVAS was killed (4/16/74). He advised that RODRIGUEZ had the reputation of dealing in narcotics, but in the past had been on friendly terms and worked on anti-CASTRO activities with ORLANDO BOSCH and also JUAN "CHAVO" GARCIA GARCIA and RODRIGUEZ were allegedly involved in narcotics peddling. He said that RODRIGUEZ was also associated with IGNACIO and GUILLERMO NOVO in the New York area, and also with FELIX EGUES CASTILLA. MM 974-S said that he had heard that two days before the death of RODRIGUEZ, that RODRIGUEZ met with BOSCH and CALATAYUD. At that time, RODRIGUEZ was alleged to have said that TORRIENTE and others who had collected money in connection with the Plan Torriente should be killed if they refused to return the money to the donors.

It is to be noted that the NOVO brothers are well known to the New York and Newark Offices, for their past bombing activities.

On 5/3/74, MM 1337-S, who has many contacts in the Cuban community of Miami, reported that on 5/2/74, HUMBERTO LOPEZ, SR., who is a member of the FLNC, expressed the opinion that the head of the "Zero" organization is ORLANDO BOSCH AVILA. MM 1337-S said

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that this belief has caused alarm among members of the FLNC, since BOSCH, who is also the Director of Accion Cubana, does not have good relations with the FLNC and is believed capable at any moment of taking the lives of members of the FLNC. LOPEZ related that RODRIGUEZ RIVAS of New York City was closely linked with the activities of the FLNC in that area, and that he has already been murdered. MM 1337-S also said that leaders of the FLNC in the New York area believe that the murderer belongs to Accion Cubana, although they have not obtained evidence up to this point.

PALAU and (FNU) ELIAS are allegedly connected with the "Zero" group. He described ELIAS as having been employed formerly at the Guantanamo Naval Station, and as having been involved with CONSTANZO while the latter was a fugitive. He has also been allegedly involved with ROLANDO MASFERRER in arms traffic in the past of it is to be noted that CONSTANZO became a fugitive four years ago when he allegedly murdered a fellow Cuban in cold blood in Miami. He voluntarily surrendered himself several months ago, and murder charges were dropped after witnesses were unable to identify him at a hearing. He was recently given probation of one year on two separate counts to run concurrently on a federal bond default charge.

With regard to the information relating to ORLANDO BOSCH provided by informants as described above, it is to be noted that Miami is conducting a separate investigation entitled, "ACCION CUBANA, IS - CUBA," in which BOSCH is alleged to be the leader. Accion Cubana claims credit for sending package bombs to Cuban consulates in several foreign countries, including Canada, Peru, and Spain. It is also interesting to note that Accion Cubana submerged from notice almost immediately after the alleged head of the organization gave a secret interview to the Associated Press in Miami on 3/3/74. No further claims or announcements have been made by Accion Cubana. "Zero" came into being with the assassination of TORRIENTE a little more than a month later, on 4/12/74.

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