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- 1. Will determine fuller identity of RAUL GONZALEZ, 3651 S.W. 3rd Street, who is the person to whom JURE checks are made payable from the JURE account in Puerto Rico, for deposit to the JURE account at Hialeah, Florida. GONZALEZ is not an executive member of JURE and his name is seldom noted in JURE activities despite his obvious position with respect to JURE finances.
- 2. Will identify pilot RENE DIAZ, who has been mentioned by MANUEL VARELA CASTRO as a pilot who was considered for a plan of MANUEL RAY to conduct air raids against Haiti. Will interview DIAZ concerning his affiliation with, and knowledge of, JURE activities.
- 3. Will interview WILLIAM "BILLY" CHUS (or SCHUSS), 2468 S.W. 22nd Terrace, Miami, who, according to MM PSI ______, was formerly chief of military operations for JURE, but is no longer associated with JURE. Will determine from CHUS his current affiliation, his reason for separating from JURE, and knowledge of current JURE activity.
- 4. Will interview JOSE LOPEZ LEGON, a leader of the Ejercito Libertador de Cuba (ELC), to ascertain if former ELC members JOSE and DUNNEY PEREZ ALAMO and others, including NAPOLEON BECQUER, who joined JURE about the end of 1963, may have since withdrawn from JURE.

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10-22-94 Synopsis: MM T-1, who headed an organization which joined with JURE during 1964, stated as of 9/64 that/the reputation of JURE among Cuban exiles had deteriorated as a result of failure by JURE_leader_MANUEL RAY to accomplish an infiltration of Cuba- MM T-2, acquainted with various Cuban exile groups, believes JURE and the anti-CASTRO organization Second National Front of the Escambray (SNFE), may have shown sign of partial unity and both these groups are generally regarded as politically left and not pro-U.S. MANUEL VARELA CASTRO resigned as military chief of JURE in 2/65 because of repeated postponements of infiltration of Cuba by MANUEL RAY. VARELA holds the opinion that RAY lacks the ability to direct a movement against the CASTRO regime. VARELA advised that recently RAY has suggested

plans for JURE to engage in an air raid against Haiti from Venezuela, using Puerto Rico as an intermediate base; RAY has also indicated plans to assist Haitian revolutionaries to overthrow the government of FRANCOIS DUVALIER in order to obtain a base in Haiti for anti-CASTRO operations. VARELA stated such tactics would be a complete departure from JURE's long standing strategy of the need for an internal uprising in Cuba, and the decrying of hit and run attacks fostered by other anti-CASTRO groups. VARELA stated JURE funds have

been received from anonymous source, believed in the U.S. government, but this subsidy was discontinued as

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DETAILS:

On September 28, 1964, MM T-1, a Cuban exile leader at Miami, who had, during the summer of 1964, associated his organization with JURE, stated that as of September 28, 1964, the reputation of JURE among Cuban exiles hadseriously deteriorated, and JURE leader MANUEL RAY remained a prisoner of his much publicized promise to be in Cuba by May, 1964.

MM T-1 advised that there had been considerable financial mismanagement within JURE, wherein money was wasted on firearms that were defective and which could have been purchased on the open market at a better price than was obtained by JURE from the ERQUIAGA Arms Company of Los Angeles, California.

MM T-1 stated that efforts by MANUEL RAY to make an infiltration of Cuba during May, and again on two occasions during July, 1964, had failed, with the result that what contacts he had in Cuba were no longer in a position to assist RAY because of the jeopardy involved.

According to MM T-1, MANUEL RAY was excessively concerned with maintaining relationships with JUAN BOSCH, the deposed President of the Dominican Republic; Governor LUIS MUNOZ MARIN of Puerto Rico, and "PEPE" FIGUERAS, former Costa Rican President; with the result that JURE's ability to obtain assistance from the Dominican Republic and a base in that country were hampered.

MM T-1 stated that the principal defect in the leadership of MANUEL RAY is the fact that he is extremely ambitious and conceited, and sees himself as the next