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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Miami, Florida
December 19, 1963

Re: MOVIMIENTO INSURRECCIONAL DE
RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIA (MIRR)
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTER

Previous information furnished by MM T-1, a Cuban exile who has been involved in anti-Fidel Castro activities for several years, reflects that Dr. Orlando Bosch Avila, head of the Movimiento Insurreccional de Recuperacion Revolucionaria (MIRR), an anti-Fidel Castro organization of Cuban exiles, is planning a bombing raid against an oil refinery at Nuevitas, Camaguey Province, Cuba. This raid was originally scheduled for the night of December 14 or 15, 1963, but encountered several postponements. The raid was to have been based in Bimini, B. W. I.

MM T-1 identified an Aero Commander airplane, registration N2624B, property of Charles Bush, Broward County International Airport, Florida, as the plane scheduled to make the raid. It was planned, according to MM T-1 that this plane would be flown by Bush to Bimini shortly prior to the scheduled bombing raid. The plane would be parked on the Bimini air strip, and Bush would leave the plane and register at a Bimini hotel. Thereafter, under cover of darkness, a Cuban pilot, accompanied by a Cuban crew of three individuals arriving by boat from the Miami area, would load the plane with bombs and take off about 1:00 a.m. for their target. They would then return to Bimini and depart under cover of darkness in their boat for Miami.

MM T-1 advised on December 17, 1963, that adverse weather conditions in the Miami area had prevented

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the Cuban pilot, [redacted] from taking his third and fourth practice flights with the Aero Commander at Broward County International Airport on December 16 and 17, 1963.

In the meantime, according to MM T-1, Bosch and his companions continued with preliminary preparations for the raid. The sum of \$21.00 was furnished to the pilot [redacted] to purchase maps and a computer for the raiding flight.

On December 18, 1963, MM T-1 advised that since weather conditions in the Miami area had cleared up, Bosch planned to resume his schedule for the bombing raid. Bosch furnished \$75.00 to Alpizar for another practice flight scheduled to take place in the Aero Commander on December 19, 1963, at Broward International Airport. Bosch also indicated that the last and final practice flight preparatory to the raid would take place on the night of December 20, 1963, in the Aero Commander but that this flight would not go over Bimini as had been originally planned, due to the opposition of Charles Bush, who felt that this would entail a security risk.

MM T-1 advised that Bosch also plans to have the plane drop anti-Fidel Castro propaganda leaflets during its flight over Cuba.

MM T-1 also advised that William Johnson, who made arrangements for procurement of the Aero Commander on behalf of Bosch, is also involved in making arrangements for procurement of the boat which will be used in transporting members of the raiding party from Miami to Bimini and back again. MM T-1 said that it now appears only one boat, instead of two, will be used in this operation. The boat which will be used has been described by some of the

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individuals planning the raid as a 28 foot one motored boat with a flying bridge of the type generally used by sports fishermen.

MM T-1 also positively identified a photograph of DANIEL ORLANDO ~~DENIS~~ RAMIREZ, a Cuban exile born July 21, 1934, in Cuba, Alien Registration #A12 479 033, as the individual responsible for constructing the home made bombs which are being used in the raid. Ramirez will take part in the raid as crewman.

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MM T-1 also identified a photograph of ~~Marcelino Garcia Jimenez~~, born July 18, 1908, in Cuba, Alien Registration A12 413 528, as a Cuban exile who has been associating with Dr. Orlando Bosch and Laredo Rodriguez, Treasurer of the MIRR, during the past several days.

MM T-1 observed a photo of ~~Jose Gil Humberto Rodriguez~~, Cuban exile born November 3, 1944, in Cuba, Alien Registration A12 829 382, and said it bears resemblance to a Cuban who seems to be a close friend and companion of Ramirez, and who has been observed to drive a Falcon automobile, white in color. MM T-1 believes the driver of the Falcon automobile may be scheduled to participate in the bombing raid as a crewman.

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The Miami Office has also been keeping Mr. GREGG BENTLEY, Special Branch, Bahamian Police, Nassau, currently advised concerning all pertinent developments. Mr. BENTLEY has advised that he has taken preparations to prevent the plane from departing on a bombing raid in the event the MIRR should succeed in evading U. S. interception.

MM T-1 is [redacted] 3625 Northwest 11th Street, Miami, a former Cuban commercial pilot.

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