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The title in instant communication is marked changed in order to reflect the full and correct names of ALBERTO BLANCO ROMARIZ and OSVALDO ANTONIO CASTELL y VALDEZ as those names appeared in the files of Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida. Title was previously carried as "ALBERTO BLANCO; ANTONIO GUZMAN; IS - CUBA".

Referenced letter reflects information from a confidential source abroad classified as secret, to the effect that CHARLES WILLIAM HORMEL (Bureau file 105-69648; Miami file 2-198) arrived at Grand Cayman Island, British West Indies, on October 26, 1958, with three passengers, and departed leaving two of them there. The two left behind were ALBERTO CRESCENCIO de la CRUZ MENENDEZ OLITE (who reportedly first gave his name as ALBERTO BLANCO), address 1920 Michigan Avenue, Miami, Florida, and the other passenger is identified as OSVALDO ANTONIO CASTELL VALDEZ (who first gave his name as ANTONIO GUZMAN VALDEZ), address 1918 Southwest 3rd Avenue, Miami. The source further stated that the name of the third person in HORMEL's plane was said to be ALBERTO, but nothing more about him was known. *1-1(5)*

Miami files reflect on June 26, 1958, ALFREDO HERNANDEZ VALDES, Cuban Consul General, New York City *105-1684*

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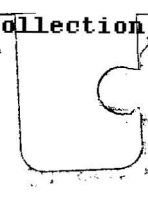
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*furnished a list to the New York Office which he stated was sent to him by the Cuban Military Intelligence Service, which list contained individuals who, because of their revolutionary activities in Cuba, had been forced to seek residence in another country. The name OSVALDO ANTONIO CASTELL VALDES is listed as having left Cuba for the United States June 11, 1957, on this list. The New York Office, on September 12, 1958, furnished the Miami Office a list and a group of 288 photographs obtained from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, described as a list of known Cuban revolutionaries operating in the Miami area, and on this list appeared OSVALDO ANTONIO CASTELL y VALDES, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Number A11250772. (u)

On November 3, 1958, Superintendent DAVID GODFREY, Special Branch, The Jamaica Constabulary, Kingston, Jamaica, British West Indies, advised SA LEON O. PRIOR that a number of private aircraft visited Jamaica frequently, and one of them is the property of CHARLES WILLIAM HORMEL, who was reported as in Cayman Island accompanied by ALBERTO CRUZ MENENDEZ, who gave his name as BLANCO, his occupation as a lawyer, and his home address as 1920 Michigan Avenue, Miami, and ANTONIO GUZMAN VALDEZ, home address 1918 Southwest 3rd Avenue, Miami. Their flight began in Tampa and ended in South Caicos where HORMEL abandoned MENENDEZ and GUZMAN. On November 9, 1958, Superintendent GODFREY advised that a cache of arms and military supplies had been seized in Cayman Island, British West Indies, and two Cubans guarding same had been taken into custody, namely, ALBERTO MENENDEZ and ANTONIO VALDES, who furnished signed statements admitting they transported guns with HORMEL from Miami by way of Tampa, Caicos Island, to Cayman Island. (u)

The "Diario Las Americas", a Spanish Language Newspaper published daily in Miami, Florida, in its issue of June 7, 1957, showed a photograph of ALBERTO BLANCO

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United States at Miami September 28, 1954. He listed his occupation as a student, and gave his address as 1019 Southwest 24th Road, Miami; address in Cuba, 609 San Indalecio, Santos Suarez, Havana, Cuba. His description was white male, 23, 5'8", 172, black hair, brown eyes, single, parents LINO BLANCO, father, and DOLORES ROMARIZ, mother.

The file contained a memorandum dated February 12, 1958, reflecting information furnished by EDUARDO HERNANDEZ, Cuban Consul General, Miami, Florida, stating that ALBERTO BLANCO (INS Number A8753096) and TONY CASTELL (INS Number A11250772) were members of a party which included FAURE CHOMON, which had gone to Cuba to join the rebel forces of FIDEL CASTRO.

Mr. THURMAN advised that the file contained no information concerning the whereabouts of BLANCO subsequent to the notation that his presence was verified in Cuba in February, 1958.

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Mr. THURMAN made file number A11250772 for OSVALDO ANTONIO CASTELL VALDEZ available, and it reflected that CASTELL was born in Havana, Cuba, February 28, 1932, was a white male, 26 years old, married, height 5'11", weight 150, hair black, eyes brown, features regular, FBI Number 701 098 C. He was arrested May 21, 1955, by the Miami Beach Police Department under number A22282, for Larceny, and the charge was dismissed on May 25, 1955. Parents were listed as ANTONIO CASTELL and LOUISA VALDEZ. His address in Cuba was 619 Virtudes Street, Havana, and as of July 3, 1957, his Miami address was 1918 Southwest 3rd Avenue, Miami. He entered the United States as a student on June 12, 1957, and was deported to Nassau October 12, 1957. A memorandum in file dated August 19, 1957, states that CASTELL participated in the attack on the Presidential Palace in Cuba in March, 1957.

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