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Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum from the Department dated June 27, 1961, which is self-explanatory. (It is noted that the Department is particularly interested in the reconnaissance trip which was planned for May 27, 1961, by Gerald Patrick Henning with Augustin Capo and Orlando Garcia.)

You should immediately determine whether this trip was actually made and thoroughly interview the participants and obtain signed statements if possible. Complete details of the trip should be determined as well as details concerning any plans for future trips. It should be borne in mind that such a reconnaissance trip, if actually made, may possibly constitute a violation of Section 960, Title 18, U. S. Code.

In accordance with the Department's request, you should continue to follow the activities of this group. In this connection, all outstanding investigation should be immediately conducted and such additional investigation should be instituted to fully develop and determine the plans of this group to embark upon an expedition against Cuba.

Henning should be thoroughlý interviewed in this regard and you should also attempt to locate and interview all other members of this organization currently in the Miami area.

Callahan This matter should be afforded prompt attention and Conrad DeLoach the results of your investigation submitted in report form Evans with nine copies/designated for the Bureau. Malone Rosen DECLASSIFIED BY JEMA Sullivan ON S/4/94. Tavel . Enclosures Trotter RDS:eab₩ Tele. Room

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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

June 27 1961

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J. Walter Yeagley Assistant Attorney General Internal Security Division

SUBJECT: ANTICOMMUNIST LEGIONNAIRES

This refers to your memoranda of May 19 and May 23, 1961 regarding the activities of the above group in which you request to be advised whether the information submitted indicates a violation of the neutrality statutes under the jurisdiction of the Bureau marranting investigation.

The information submitted indicates that this group has been soliciting recruits and funds in the Miami and Houston areas and that an informant has advised that Gerald Patrick/Henning, the alleged leader of the group, and two other members of the organization were planning to make a reconnaissance trip on May 27 to Cay Aguilla and Cay Sal Bank with Agustin Capo and Orlando Garcia The information submitted also reflects that the Central Intelligence Agency has advised that although Capo is under assessment for operational interest in connection with a clandestine radio network, he is not yet under Central Intelligence Agency control and "should be stopped." It is also indicated that the United States Border Patrol planned to attempt to stop the expedition involving the Americans.

In view of the fact that the above information reflects possible violations of 18 U.S.C. 959 and 960, it is desired that the Bureau follow the activities of Capo and Garcia, as well as the activities of the above organization, and that, in particular, we be furnished information concerning any expeditions this group may have made or plans to make.

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