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SAC's has failed to shed any light into the activities of JOHN ROSELLI and his ultimate demise.

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A source provided the following information:

In April, 1961, an individual known only as MAX was contacted by a person known only as PHIL "THE STICK" in New York City. MAX was a "hit man" and was instructed by PHIL "THE STICK" to go to Florida where he would be paid \$1,000 a week. MAX went to the Carousel Hotel in Miami Beach and met with SAM GIANCANA. GIANCANA told him he was going to meet an individual not part of the "mob" and then introduced him to STURGIS, a CIA Agent described as a white male, 5'll", and well built. STURGIS questioned him about his, MAX's, proficiency in weapons and indicated MAX should practice on targets in the Okeefenokee Swamps. These target practices, which were held daily, were in conjunction with four unknown individuals who came from other parts of the country. MAX had no idea of their names or their identities. In their first target practice in the swamps, STURGIS gave MAX a .38 caliber revolver and asked him to fire at a target approximately 30 feet away. shot and STURGIS appeared to be satisfied. STURGIS then gave MAX an Ml Carbine which MAX fired and STURGIS was again satisfied. STURGIS then instructed MAX in the use of Thompson Submachine Guns inasmuch as MAX was not familiar with them.

Around May 18, 1961, MAX met with GIANCANA, JOHN ROSELLI, and STURGIS, who told him, MAX, among others, was to "hit" the dictator of the Dominican Republic, RAFAEL TRUJILLO. MAX was introduced to ANGELO MARADANO (phonetic) who spoke fluent Spanish. It was decided MARADANO would play the part of MAX's father with MAX being a mute, thus hiding the fact that MAX could not speak Spanish. The cover story for these two individuals was that MARADANO was going to the Dominican Republic to purchase tobacco.

On May 18, 1961, MAX and ANGELO MARADANO flew to Mexico City on a commercial airlines and on May 19, Don Ref. 1961, also on commercial airlines, flew to Santo Domingo. After easily going through customs, they were met by an unknown cab driver who apparently knew them. This cab driver took them to an unknown hotel and then gave them

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instructions to leave the luggage in the cab, walk through the hotel, and get in another cab out the back door of the hotel. This they did, and then were driven to a home outside Santo Domingo where they were introduced to WILLIAMS, another CIA man described as a white male, 6'2", 210 pounds. The home where they were taken had the appearance of an armed camp. WILLIAMS gave them maps of the Dominican Republic and Santo Domingo and told them to study them. These maps were written both in Spanish and in English with a number of them having a Library of Congress stamp on them, and others indicating in Spanish that they were military maps. MAX still has these maps and they are available if wanted.

WILLIAMS indicated it would be very hard to "hit" TRUJILLO inasmuch as TRUJILLO changed routes daily, going back and forth from his office to the palace and was protected by sharp shooters.

On the night of May 29, 1961, WILLIAMS indicated TRUJILLO was going to see his mistress in San Cristopal, during the evening of May 30, 1961. He was going via the Coast Highway and would be in a white Chevrolet preceded by a jeep. In order to fool people, another white Chevrolet and jeep would follow him some 10 to 15 miles.

In the afternoon of May 30, 1961, MAX, MARADANO, WILLIAMS, and unknown others of Spanish descent, went in two jeeps to find a place to "hit" TRUJILLO. A suitable place was found near a port city, which could be located on the map if necessary.

Around midnight on May 30, the jeep and the white Chevrolet with TRUJILLO appeared. Six men in the first jeep "took out" TRUJILLO's jeep, disabling the radio and tires. MAX, the driver, WILLIAMS, and MARADANO, pulled up next to TRUJILLO in the white Chevrolet and MAX and MARADANO killed him, using Thompson Submachine Guns. These machine guns had two clips of shells in each.

Approximately 6 hours later, after doubling back, they returned to Santo Domingo and departed four days later, arriving in Miami Beach via Mexico City, Port au Prince, Haiti, in the Bahamas, all traveling by commercial airlines.

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Once they arrived in Miami Beach, STURGIS paid MAX and MARADANO \$30,000 a piece.

Present during this payoff was SAM GIANCANA, who told MAX to contact PETE BRADY, a pit boss in the Desert Inn in Las Vegas, concerning a "hit" in Havana, Cuba. Apparently, BRADY had been working at the Capri Casino in Havana and was familiar with the area.

In mid June, 1961, contact, was made by MAX with BRADY utilzing the services of JOHNNY GEORGE, a gambler win Las Vegas, currently building the Atlantis Hotel in Las Vegas. BRADY indicated to MAX he was instructed by someone whom he did not name that he was supposed to tell MAX all about Havana and the Hilton Hotel there. It was assumed by MAX that he was being instructed so that he could "hit" FIDEL CASTRO.

After receiving information from BRADY, MAX returned to Miami Beach where he continued to target practice. A short while later, MAX learned that GIANCANA had a "run in" with ROBERT KENNEDY in Las Vegas and the "hit" on CASTRO was called off. MAX was informed his services were no longer needed.

In February or March, 1975, JOHN ROSELLI told MAX that he and SAM GIANCANA were being investigated by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence concerning the attempted assassination of CASTRO. ROSELLI said GIANCANA had agreed to testify, but he, ROSELLI, would not say anything. This conversation between ROSELLI and MAX took place in Los Angeles.

In July, 1975, GIANCANA was killed with seven .22 caliber bullets after two Chicago policemen on surveillance were lured away. GIANCANA was killed in his basement. MAX felt this was not a "mob" hit because the "mob" does not use .22 pistols, they do not kill a person at home, and they do not use automatic weapons because it leaves the shell casings. Two weeks later, ROSELLI told MAX that he had checked in Chicago and GIANCANA's murder was not a "mob hit". ROSELLI told him it was a murder by the CIA to insure that GIANCANA would say nothing to the Senate Committee concerning the involvement of the CIA with the "mob". ROSELLI further indicated to MAX he felt he would be forced to testify before the Senate Committee and would probably be "knocked down" or killed because of it.

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In the summer of 1976, ROSELLI went to Florida to see his sister at which time he was murdered.

It is conjectured by MAX that ROSELLI's murder was done by the CIA to keep him from testifying before the Senate Committee.

Present during this interview was Sergeant CARL OLSON, Seattle Police Department, Seattle, Washington.