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2. Will identify reported new organization financed by BATISTA funds to which MASFERRER is supposed to belong.

### JACKSONVILLE AND NEW YORK: (INFORMATION)

Information copies of this report are being submitted to the Jacksonville and New York Offices in view of the fact that instant report contains information believed to be of interest to those offices and in view of the prominence of the subject in anti-FIDEL CASTRO affairs.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

The letter written by MASFERRER to a friend in Europe, as set out in Legal Attache, Madrid, letters to the Bureau, July 14, 1959, and September 21, 1959, entitled "Foreign Political Matters - Cuba; INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA," were written to RAFAEL MIRALLES BRAVO, former Press and Cultural Attache, Cuban Embassy, Madrid, Spain, during the BATISTA Government.

RAFAEL MIRALLES BRAVO made the letters available to Legal Attache, Madrid, and advised that the letters were directed to him and ROSENDO CANTO, the former Cuban Ambassador to Formosa and close friend of MASFERRER.

Instant report is classified confidential, inasmuch as the above information from the Legal Attache, Madrid, was so classified.

One additional copy of this report is designated for the Bureau for transmittal to the Legal Attache, Havana, in view of the current state of Cuban affairs and the possible interest of Legal Attache, Havana, in the subject.

Additional information concerning subject's reported activities with regard to participation in discussions with JUSTO LUIS POZO DEL PUERTO, former Mayor of Havana,

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regarding proposed plan to invade the Isle of Pines, Cuba, around June 1, 1959, is reported under a separate caption, "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; JUSTO LUIS POZO DEL PUERTO; PEDRO DIAZ, NEUTRALITY MATTER," Bureau file 2-1546. Information disclosed through investigation of that particular phase of subject's activities will, therefore, not be repeated in its entirety in instant report in order to avoid duplication.

Concerning the matter of reported threats against MASFERRER, it is noted that such threats have been reported at various times throughout the period of MASFERRER's residence in Miami. Investigation reflects that MASFERRER never remains residing in one location for any length of time. When information concerning threats against MASFERRER comes to the attention of the Miami Office, proper authorities are notified as well as MASFERRER himself.

The interview of MASFERRER on September 16, 1959, was in connection with another matter, "MARCOS PEREZ JIMENEZ, IS - VENEZUELA," Bureau file 109-283. The opportunity thus afforded was used to obtain information concerning other activities of MASFERRER.

### INFORMANTS

#### IDENTITY

LOCATION OF ORIGINAL INFORMATION

MM T-1 is Mrs. DANIEL June 8, 1959 - 2-156-73; VAZQUEZ, aka MIRASOL ALBA, June 23, 1959 - 2-156-94. 727 East DiLido Drive, DiLido Island, Miami Beach, Florida, contacted by SA GEORGE E. DAVIS, JR., (by request).

MM T-2 is MANUEL BENITEZ, 20 Palermo Street, Coral Gables, Florida. June 19, 1959 - 2-156-95;

August 14, 1959 - 2-156-119;

September 28, 1959 - 2-156-169.

MM T-3 is NY (2621 S. )

2-156-83.

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### INFORMANTS (CONT'D.)

### IDENTITY

MM T-4 is RICHARD B. AND JAFFE, PSI, Under Development, Miami.

### LOCATION OF ORIGINAL INFORMATION

June 30, 1959 - 2-156-92; August 14 1959 - 134-370 Sub

August 14, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A1;

/August 18, 1959 - 2-156-119;

/August 18, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A1;

∕August 21, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A2; ∕August 24, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A2:

August 26, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A2;

/August 22, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A4;

August 24, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A9;

August 28, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A3;

August 31, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A8;

September 3, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A5;

September 4, 199 - 134-370 Sub A6;

September 9, 1959 - 134-370 Sub A6;

September 18, 1959- 134-370 Sub A7.

June 22, 1959 - 2-156-65.

MM T-5 is BARTOLOME VALDES, contacted by SAS BILL WILLIAMS and JOSEPH CARRIC, Newark.

MM T-6 is MM 501-C

MM T-7 is MM 639-S

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June 26, 1959 - 134-437-137

July 6, 1959 - 134-238 Sub A 221; August 5, 1959 - 134-238 Sub A228;

August 14, 1959 - 134-238 Sub A 232 August 17, 1959 - 134-238 Sub A 237

August 20, 1959 - 134-238 Sub A 239

October 4, 1959 - 2-156·174.

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INFORMANTS (CONT D.)

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MM T-8 is RAFAEL MIRALLES
BRAVO, Former Press and
Cultural Attache, Cuban
Embassy, Madrid, per Legat,
Madrid letters to Bureau,
July 14, 1959 and September 21,
1959, entitled "Foreign
Political Matters - Cuba."

July 13, 1959 - 2-156-103; September 18, 1959 - 2-156-165.

MM T-9 is THOMAS ALBERT THOMPSON, Former PSI, Under Development, Miami. 134-364 Sub A 10.

MM T-10 is Dr. ALCIDES DE LOS REYES, 1674 S. W. 38th Street, Miami, Florida, (by request).

August 16, 1959 - 2-156-119; September 14, 1959 - 2-156-153; September 30, 1959 - 2-156-167.

MM T-11 is GILBERTO LEYVA Y / August 18, 1959 - 2-156-119. FERNANDEZ, Former Cuban Senator, (by request).

MM T-12 is JOSE August 20, 1959 - 2-156-138; CARBONELL, 3614 N. W. 12th September 3, 1959 - 2-156-166. Terrace, Miami, (by request).

MM T-13 is CIA report, dated September 29, 1959, #TDCS 3/413574.

105-1742-824.

Remains classified per cia's 9/1/92 PG (9803 rdd/8cf 024326 9/24/90)

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report and T-symbols were utilized only in those instances where identities must be concealed.

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