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Re Havana letter May 29, 1959.

HAV-4 furnished the following information concerning OLIMPIA SAINZ on July 1, 1959:

Mrs. OLIMPIA SAINZ is the rentor of an apartment in the Focsa Building, 17th and M Streets, Vedado, Havana, Cuba, and is presently in the United States where she is being treated for a severe illness. HAV-4 stated he was informed by the Manager of the Focsa Building that NORMAN ROTHMAN also had resided in this building in Apartment 19-D, which apartment is owned by one TOVAR who also owns Apartment 1-L which was inhabited by Mrs. OLIMPIA SAINZ. The manager was not able to state whether SAINZ and ROTHMAN were friendly with one another. 17th and M Streets Vedado

Concerning TED KING, report of SA R. BURNS TOOLSON dated June 11, 1959, Salt Lake City, captioned "CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, IS - CUBA" reflects on June 8, 1959, Mr. ROBERT WILSON, Space No. 60, Lone Palm Trailer Court, Los Angeles Highway, Las Vegas, Nevada, stated he had met TED KING at Colonial House, Las Vegas. KING told him that he had worked in Cuba as a slot machine operator until the hotels in that country were shut down (KING perhaps referring to the revolution on January 1, 1959). KING was in Las Vegas about five weeks earlier and stopped by the Dunes to say "Hello" to WILSON. He was driving a white Thunderbird with Illinois license plates and said he had some kind of employment in Los Angeles but was looking for something better. Mr. ROBERT SIMM, slot machine operator at the New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, on June 8, 1959, stated that KING had worked as a slot machine operator in Las Vegas but had left there to go to Havana in 1958 to work as either a slot machine operator or a mechanic. Mr. JOHN WINN, slot machine operator at the Dunes Hotel, Las Vegas, on June 8, 1959, stated he was informed by RAY GAYLORD that he, GAYLORD, was financing TED KING and "RED" ARMSTRONG in a deal in Cuba; that was several months previously. KING had previously told WINN that he was flying "stuff" into Cuba although not doing the actual flying himself. He said he was working with "RED" ARMSTRONG.

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Concerning ANGEL EUGENIO GONZALEZ, who was called at 7-7189, HAV-4 stated that this telephone number is located at the Arbas Building at Calle Oquendo No. 308, Havana, Cuba, where it is a lobby telephone number. Inquiry among the building management and elevator operators failed to reflect anyone by the name ANGEL EUGENIO GONZALEZ, although HAV-4 stated that telephone records reflected that this telephone was listed to ANGEL EUGENIO GONZALEZ. (S)(u)

Concerning MANUEL RODRIGUEZ, telephone number 29-3063, HAV-4 stated that this individual resides at Avenida 49 No. 5410, Marianao, Cuba, and has a son of the same name. Investigation by HAV-4 reflected MANUEL RODRIGUEZ is the proprietor of the cabaret "Club Sais" and also owns a fur shop, both of which places are located at Edificio de la Terminal de Omnibus at Rancho Boyeros y 19 de Mayo, Havana, Cuba. HAV-4 stated that MANUEL RODRIGUEZ in the past had associated with some North Americans in the slot machine business in Camaguey and Oriente Provinces. RODRIGUEZ' brother, MAXIMO RODRIGUEZ, was the husband of the former wife of ex-President FULGENCIO BATISTA. MANUEL RODRIGUEZ, whose full name is MANUEL RODRIGUEZ FLEITAS, was also Vice-President and Manager of a commercial concern selling electrical appliances called "Varadero Comercial, S.A." (S)(u)

HAV-4 stated he was unable to ascertain the identity of EFREN who was called at the Tropicana night club, Havana, Cuba. (S)(u)

Extra copies of this communication have been prepared for Miami Office (52-3290).

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