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**MEMO** 

PSI continues to attend meetings of anti-FIDEL CASTRO groups in the Miami area and public meetings of pro-FIDEL CASTRO elements. PSI is a member of Circulo Cubano, Miami, Florida, which is an organization composed of Cubans residing in Miami, Florida. Some of the members of this organization are pro-CASTRO while others are anti-CASTRO. Facilities of this club are available to both pro- and anti-FIDEL CASTRO groups for meetings, and inasmuch as subject is a member of this organization, it is possible for him to frequent these meetings without arousing suspicion.

#### IV. - SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED

During the last four months, PSI has furnished information on the following-listed cases:

ALDO INOCENCIO PELEGRINO DE LOS MILAGROS VERA SERAFIN IS - CUBA; RA - CUBA (Miami file 105-4136)

PSI furnished information to the effect that VERA, formerly a follower of FIDEL CASTRO and Chief of Police for a period of about one week in Havana, Cuba, in January, 1959, is now residing in exile in USA and is an ardent anti-CASTRO leader.

PSI also stated that VERA is associated with underground-sabotage group activity in Cuba at the present time.

CUBAN FUNDS IS - CUBA (Miami file 105-1817)

PSI in this case furnished information that among Cuban exiles in Miami the rumor circulated that an unidentified pro-FULGENCIO BATISTA group, former Dictator of Cuba in Miami, recently sponsored printing of a large number of Cuban August 9, 1961, issued of \$1., \$15., and \$10. peso denomination bills for distribution in Cuba. PSI furnished samples of these bills to the Miami Office, which have been made available to the U.S. Secret Service, Miami.

ALICIA VICTORIA SUAREZ PEREZ IS - CUBA; RA - CUBA (Miami file 105-4169)

PSI in this case has furnished background data concerning SUAREZ on a continuing basis and has advised that on September 8, 1961, Dr. JOSE MUSA, brother-in-law of subject SUAREZ, is attorney for Cuban Department of Justice, Havana, Cuba, and is co-ordinator for Cuban G-2 activities in that Department. Dr. MUSA at the present time is attempting to arrange passage from Cuba through underground in Cuba.

HAYDEE SANTA MARIA IS - CUBA; RA - CUBA (Miami file 97-244)

PSI advised in connection with an anonymous letter received by the Miami Office that HAYDEE SANTA MARIA, the wife of ARMANDO HART, presently Minister of Education, Havana, Cuba, is residing in Miami presently is false.

PSI advised that SANTA MARIA for a period of time was in charge of the 26th of July Club funds in the Miami area and left Miami for Cuba on January 3, 1959, and has not returned to Miami.

UNSUB, THREAT TO SABOTAGE PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS, MIAMI, FLORIDA, 5/25/61
DAMV - (FALSE REPORT)
(Miami file 149-145)

PSI in this case furnished information indicating that in the area of the International Airport, Miami, Florida, there appeared leaflets in the English and the Spanish languages inciting employees of Pan American Airways to institute a general strike unless their "Comrade," LUCILA RODRIGUEZ, (Miami file 105-2794) who was discharged by Pan American World Airways, was rehired.

Mrs. MIRIAM FRANCES NUFER NORWED ESP - CUBA; TGP; FAG (Miami file 65-2860)

In instant case PSI during appropriate hours of each day conducts spot physical surveillances on residence of subject for the purpose of determining her contacts and her activities. Through these spot surveillances, it has been possible for the Miami Office to determine the whereabouts of the subject and determine her plans as far as selecting new residences are concerned.

ANTI-COMMUNIST LEGIONAIRES NEUTRALITY ACT (Miami file 2-312)

PSI in this case furnished information concerning a distribution of leaflets by the Anti-Communist Legionaires in the Miami area, which leaflets criticized USA's participation or support of the Tractors for Freedom

prisoner exchange, sponsored by the Tractors for Freedom Committee, Detroit, Michigan.

MILITARY AND NAVAL MATTERS (Miami file 105-2878)

PSI in this case furnished information re the location of militia training camps and anti-aircraft guns in certain areas in the Interior of Cuba.

FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTER - CUBA IS - CUBA (Miami file 105-1747)

PSI in this case furnished information re the names of the organizations actively engaged in counter-revolutionary movements within Cuba. PSI obtained this information through friends and relatives in Cuba, who are active in the Cuban underground.

UNIDAD PARA LA GUERRA (UNITY FOR WAR) RA - CUBA; IS - CUBA (Miami file 105-new)

PSI was present at the organizational meeting of Unidad Para La Guerra on October 2, 1961. PSI stated that, according to the leader of this organization, the purpose is to bring about unity among Cuban exiles in the U.S. and to invite those Cubans who still are Cuban citizens to return to Cuba and help overthrow the regime of FIDEL CASTRO by either military or underground means.

PAUL ODEZ, aka IMPERSONATION (Miami file 47-4348)

PSI in this case has furnished information concerning the activities of the subject while the subject was in Miami, Florida, beginning March, 1961.

JOSE M. GONZALEZ
RA - CUBA;
IS - CUBA
(Miami file 105-4241)

PSI in this case furnished specific information identifying JOSE GONZALEZ, his residence and business address and background information concerning his activities.

FERNANDO VIRELLES
IS - CUBA;
RA - CUBA
(Miami file 105-3963)

PSI in this case has furnished specific information regarding the activities of VIRELLES, as a leader of an anti-FULGENCIO BATISTA, former Dictator of Cuba, group in 1956 which group was sponsored by the former President of Cuba, CARLOS PRIO SOCARRAS.

JUAN RODRIGUEZ SARMIENTO IS - CUBA; RA - CUBA (Miami file 105-2961)

PSI in this case has maintained frequent contact with subject and has arranged for a number of Cubans to contact RODRIGUEZ for the purpose of possibly purchasing the home of RODRIGUEZ, which, at this time, is being offered for sale.

The Cubans brought to the home of RODRIGUEZ are genuine prospects for the purchase of this home; however, a successful sale has not yet been consumated due to the high price asked by RODRIGUEZ and the general adverse economic conditions existing in Miami at this time.

ESTEBAN GRAFTON HORTA
IS - CUBA;
RA - CUBA
(Miami file 105-4651)

PSI in this case has furnished information to the effect that GRAFTON has been in contact with MIRIAM FRANCES NORWEB, Miami file 65-2860. PSI also furnished background information concerning GRAFTON.

## V. AMOUNT PAID FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES BY MONTH

Services	Expenses
\$35.	
\$35.	
\$25.	
	\$10.
\$38.	
\$38.	
\$38.	
	\$35. \$35. \$25.  \$38.

Date		Services	Expenses
7/19-26/61		\$38.	
7/1-26/61			\$10.
7/26-8/2/61)			·
8/2-9/61 )		\$76.	
8/9-16/61		\$38.	
8/16-23/61		\$38.	
8/23-8/30/61		\$38.	
8/1-8/31/61			\$10.
8/30-9/6/61	1	\$38.	
9/6-13/61		\$38.	
9/13-20/61		\$38.	
9/20-27/61		\$38.	
9/1-27/61			\$10.
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### VI. - TYPE AND NUMBER OF MEETINGS

PSI continues his contacts with members of the 26th of July Club, Miami, Florida; continues to attend meetings of both pro- and anti-FIDEL CASTRO groups, where he can logically gain entries, in the Miami area and circulates freely at the Circulo Cubano, Miami, Florida, which

which has the reputation of being a hangout for pro-FIDEL CASTRO elements in Miami.

## VII. - NUMBER OF WRITTEN AND ORAL STATEMENTS SUBMITTED

During instant period, PSI has been contacted with frequency and he has furnished in excess of 55 oral reports and about 30 written reports. PSI has also furnished leaflets, throw-aways, pamphlets, etc. of a pro-FIDEL CASTRO-type, which have circulated in the Miami area.

#### VIII. - INFORMATION FURNISHED OF UNUSUAL VALUE.

PSI, inasmuch as he is a salesman, having belonged to the National Police of Cuba on October 1, 1961, was invited personally by REINALDS PICO, former labor leader in Regla, Cuba, and member of Cuban Tractors Exchange Commission, to attend the organizational meeting of Unidad Para La Guerra (Unity for War), which took place at Odd Fellows Building, 215 Northwest 4th Street, Miami, Florida, on October 2, 1961, and was presided over by PICO. PSI served as a consultant for PICO inasmuch as PICO is interested in obtaining the support of all former members of the Police of Cuba for his Unity for War organization. Inasmuch as PSI was present during this organizational meeting, it was possible for him to determine that the Unidad Para La Guerra is really an organization which possesses all the aspects of a junta for the governing of Cuba once the FIDEL CASTRO regime fails.

# IX. - APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON WHOM INFORMANT FURNISHED COVERAGE AND THEIR IMPORTANCE

This informant has furnished information on approximately 50 individuals, some of whom are subjects, and has furnished identifying and background data concerning these individuals.

#### X. - STEPS BEING TAKEN TO ADVANCE INFORMANT.

PSI recently has been invited by leaders of Unidad Para La Guerra (Unity for War) to attend an organizational meeting and serve as a consultant. This is an anti-CASTRO organization and since PSI has played a role in its organization, he will have an opportunity to further broaden his contacts among Cuban exiles in Miami, Florida.

#### XI. - STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

This informant continues to be contacted by Agents of the Miami Office with frequency and at no time has he presented any indication of untrustworthiness, unreliability or any other weakenesses which might become a source of embarrassment to the Bureau.

#### XII. - INDOCTRINATION AGAINST DISCLOSURE

Every opportunity has been taken to indoctrinate PSI against making any disclosure of his relationship with the Bureau through any media.

XIII. - ALL NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN ON INFORMATION FURNISHED

Yes.

### XIV. - MISCELLANEOUS

This informant is continuing to attend English classes at Jackson Senior High School, Miami, Florida, and is progressing satisfactorily.

Note: PSI who is former HAV 36 has furnished more than 55 oral reports and about 30 written reports. Miami has cited 15 specific cases in which PSI has provided data. PSI provides info on both pro- and anti-Castro activities. Miami wants to continue to pay him \$38 a week plus \$2.50 a week for expenses. Based on Miami's summary, its request should be approved.