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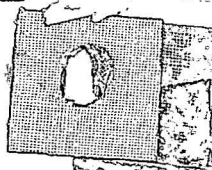
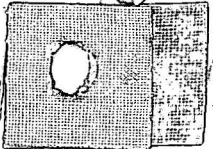
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Reference is made to your communication dated August 30, 1961, your number 1659. (S)

Subject, who was born December 8, 1935 in Madrid, Spain, is a naturalized Cuban citizen. He resided in Spain until about 1945 when he went to Cuba. He began to actively oppose the Batista government in about 1952 and in 1957 founded the Second National Front of Escambray, an anti-Batista organization which was active in the revolution which unseated Batista, and became its leader. In August, 1959, anti-Castro elements in the Dominican Republic made an abortive effort to invade Cuba. At the time, William Alexander Morgan, expatriated American soldier of fortune who was executed by Castro, and the subject publicly admitted pretending to be members of the anti-Castro group, stating they were actually playing roles of double agents for Castro. This resulted in the thwarting of the anti-Castro efforts. Subject held the rank of major in the Cuban armed forces. In January, 1961, the subject and several of his followers fled Cuba in a small boat and made their way to Miami, Florida. Subject was held for a time by Immigration authorities in Texas, but is now in Miami where he reportedly is engaged in anti-Castro activities.

With reference to the information set forth in the second paragraph of the referenced communication, it is noted that similar information has appeared in the press in this country.

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We interviewed the subject upon his arrival in this country. With reference to his arrest in Liege, Belgium, subject furnished the following information: He advised that when it became known in Havana that he was going to make a trip to Europe, a woman who identified herself as the wife of Adderraman Muley came to him and asked him to look up her husband who was then in Liege. Subject stated he had heard of Muley as a Spaniard who was engaged in anti-Franco activities in Europe. Muley's wife told him that Muley could be reached in care of Arturo G. Mata, Post Restante Central, Liege, Belgium. Subject stated he went to Europe arriving in Madrid, Spain, in July, 1960. When he was about ready to leave he sent a telegram to Mata at the above mentioned address. He stated he did not recall the contents of the telegram, but was certain he stated he was leaving Spain with instructions for Mata. Upon arrival in Brussels, Belgium, subject attempted to locate both Mata and Muley through the Cuban Embassy there, but was unsuccessful. He stated he sent Mata a second telegram at the same address, but received no response. The Cuban Ambassador to Belgium then personally drove him to Liege and the two of them managed to locate Mata in a bar in the Spanish colony in Liege. Subject stated that after he met Mata, the latter introduced him to Muley. He admitted that the three of them discussed Spain and its problems and that both Mata and Muley told him they were actively engaged in fighting Franco. Subject stated that both Muley and Mata were members of the Directorio Revolucionario Iberico de Liberacion (DRIL) and subject believed that Muley was one of the directors of DRIL.

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Subject stated he remained in Liege for about three days visiting individuals who resided in the Spanish colony there. He was suddenly arrested, placed in jail and threatened with return to Spain. It was the subject's belief that the Franco government put pressure on the Cuban Embassy in Brussels to have the Brussels police locate and place him in jail. Subject stated that within three days the Cuban Government lodged an official complaint with Belgian authorities and arrangements were made to expel him from the country.

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Subject stated that he went by plane from Brussels to Paris, France, and remained there for about fifteen days during which time he lived at the home of an employee at the Cuban Embassy. He stated that during this time he visited the Spanish president in exile who lived in Paris. He stated that when his vacation in Paris was nearly completed he attempted to arrange for return to Cuba by way of United States, but could not do so. He finally obtained airline tickets for a return flight by way of Lisbon, Portugal, Santa Maria in the Azores and from there to Cuba. Subject stated he spent six days in Santa Maria waiting for the Madrid-Havana plane. While there, he stated that Portuguese authorities examined him very closely.

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In commenting on his European trip, subject stated the trip had no intelligence or espionage aspect or significance. He stated that he made the trip solely to visit relatives in Spain and to vacation for a few days in Belgium and France. He emphatically denied going to Europe to carry out anti-Franco activities or any activities connected with DRIL. In addition, the subject denied any connection whatsoever with the seizure of the "Santa Maria" in January, 1961, and has stated he had never heard of Galvao.

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For your information, the subject, upon interview, described himself as being bitterly anticommunist.

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