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ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES					
ACTION REQUIRED: None, FYI					
REFERENCE: UFGA-21144, 27 April 1965 65-8-6					
<p>1. The AMOTs submitted in Reports ZE-3135, 22 April 1965, EE-436, 23 April 1965 and DD-1361, 13 April 1965, additional details on the matter reported in Reference, which we are summarizing below for your information.</p> <p>2. The following information was contained in a letter dated 13 April 1965 from AMOT-3's friend in Madrid, Manuel LOPEZ Lourido:</p> <p>a. LOPEZ stated that the recent defection of Odon ALVAREZ de la Campa (201-044994) had left AMLASH-2 and AMLASH-3 completely confused. He further stated that QUHOPS-1 has been recalled to Cuba and plans to leave this month (April). QUHOPS-1 is reportedly in the complete confidence of AMLASH-1, AMLASH-2 and AMLASH-3, all of whom are planning some action with Marina GARCIA Gonzalez (201-287712) <u>/CIS Officer/ who is now in the Cuban Embassy in Algeria and is going to Cuba/ no further details were given on this matter/.</u></p> <p>b. According to LOPEZ, the Cuban Ambassador to France, Antonio Maria CARNILLO Carreras (201-349956), who is the coordinator of all Castroite activities in Western Europe, is expected to arrive in Madrid during the next few days. He is reportedly bringing jewelry for Rafael GARCIA-BANGO Dirube (201-772270), a new addition to this "small group," and a man in the confidence of Jose LLANUZA Gobel (201-743527). <i>Recipient of jewelry brought to Madrid by subj. 201-349956</i></p> <p>3. ZE-3135 was based on a letter from LOPEZ, dated 19 April 1965, in which LOPEZ wrote the following <i>Report in confidence of subject Miguel de Leon Rojas - Bony - Subject (201-772270)</i></p>					
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a. LOPEZ said that the group of "Captains" in Spain are very agitated these days. He further stated that he had talked to AMLASH-3 on 18 April 1965, and AMLASH-3 had told him that he had to return to Cuba immediately and that he was greatly concerned because he did not know whether he would be reintegrated into the DSE or if he was being sent to the firing wall. LOPEZ reportedly suggested to AMLASH-3 that he stay in Spain and not return to Cuba, to which AMLASH-3 replied that he had to return, because if he did not go back he would compromise his friend, superior and near brother, AMLASH-1. AMLASH-3 also told LOPEZ that if he is able to enter Cuba without any problems, "that" (sic, presumably referring to Castro regime) would last two months.

b. LOPEZ reported that AMLASH-3 had told him that the assassination attempt against Fidel CASTRO, a commando operation between their group and AMBIDY-1's group, should have taken place on 17 April 1965, but had been frustrated because CASTRO was cutting sugar cane.

c. AMLASH-3 reportedly told LOPEZ that he planned to leave for Paris on 21 April 1965 and that if he returns to Cuba he will go via Prague.

d. According to LOPEZ, QUHOPS-1 was also supposed to leave for Havana on 20 April 1965.

e. AMLASH-3 also reportedly informed LOPEZ that AMWHIP-1, "who is one of AMLASH-3's main contacts", had passed through Spain two weeks before and had brought them all much peace of mind because of the fact that all plans were going very well.

f. LOPEZ advised that "Cuco" LEON (Subject of Paragraph 1 of Reference) is the permanent contact and was in Spain about a week ago (about 11 April 1965).

4. When "Cuco" LEON returned to Miami from Europe, he contacted AMCRAG-1 and reported the following to him (which information was contained in KE-3139):

a. LEON said that he is greatly concerned about GROWERY's (in true name) actions with his (LEON'S) contacts in Europe. GROWERY has shown a great interest in visiting AMLASH-2, AMLASH-3 and QUHOPS-1, with the intention of capitalizing on them and making them work for him.

b. LEON reported that AMLASH-3 had told him (LEON) that he had listened to GROWERY and his various offers on different occasions, but that he had been stalling GROWERY while he (AMLASH-3) waited for LEON'S visit before making any decisions.

c. LEON told AMCRAG-1 that there is an unfavorable opinion of GROWERY among those Cuban officials in Europe who are cooperating with Castro's opponents and that they would prefer to work with the "Miami Group".

d. LEON claimed that he still had the best contacts in "his hands" and that these contacts are in the best disposition and condition to work and cooperate on serious matters. They have all repeatedly told LEON of their desire to cooperate with what they call the "Miami Group".

e. LEON stated that Agustin BENITEZ Llanes (201-734065), Cubana Airlines Representative in Europe

[and an identified CIS Officer], is one of his best sources of information. LEON added that BENITEZ has made various trips to the USSR and consequently is very well informed. LEON also told ANCRAG-1 that BENITEZ used to be married to LEON's sister.

f. LEON said that AMLASH-3 had called him from Europe and told him of his definite decision to break with GROWERY and to return to Cuba.

g. According to LEON, ANPALM-4 had visited him in Miami on 22 April 1965, asking him questions and requesting his cooperation concerning contacts and activities in Europe.

5. FYI, ANCRAG-1 is not known as being connected with KUBARK and has mainly dedicated himself to private business. He has maintained close friendship with AMBIDDY-1 and AMBIDDY-1's followers.

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