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PLANS OF CUBAN EXILES TO ASSASSINATE SELECTED CUBAN GOVERNMENT LEADERS. IS-CUBA. BUFILE 105-131629.

JOSE "PEPIN" BOSCH, PRESIDENT OF BANCARDI RUM CO., MIAMI, FLA., STATED ON JULY 13, 1964, HE IS FREQUENTLY ASKED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ANTI CASTRO ACTIVITIES. APPROXIMATELY 2-3 MONTHS AGO TWO CUBANS, IDENTITIES UNKNOWN, CAME TO BOSCH AND ASKED IF HE WAS INTERESTED IN INVESTING \$150,000. THEY SAID THE "MAFIA" WAS WILLING TO BET THAT AMOUNT THAT FIDEL CASTRO WOULD BE KILLED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE PLACING OF THE BET. BOSCH CLAIMED HE DOES NOT RECALL ADDITIONAL DETAILS, BUT TOLD CUBANS HE WOULD HAVE TO CONSIDER THE MATTER. BOSCH EXPLAINED TO AGENTS THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO PART IN MURDER **BUT SINCE HE HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH CIA** ON HEARING OF THIS MATTER HE ADVISED **THEM**. HE SAID HE WAS TOLD BY CIA THEY WERE NOT INTERESTED. BOSCH CANNOT RECALL FOR CERTAIN IF HE WAS EVER RECONTACTED BY THE TWO UNKNOWN CUBANS BUT MAY HAVE BEEN. HE SAID HE WOULD NOT RECOGNIZE A PHOTO OF THEM AND HAS NO WAY TO DETERMINE THEIR IDENTITY.

BOSCH DOES NOT KNOW OF ANYONE IN THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY CONNECTED WITH ANY PORTION OF HOODLUM ELEMENT OR CONNECTED WITH ST. LOUIS. BOSCH DID NOT CONTRIBUTE ANY MONEY OR CONTRACT

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TO DO SO FOR ANY ASSASSINATION PLAN. BOSCH DID NOT MEET WITH ELISEO GOMEZ FERNANDEZ CUBAN EXILE IN SHIPPING BUSINESS IN APRIL AND DID NOT AGREE TO ADVANCE \$100,000 FOR ASSASSINATION PLAN. BOSCH DID NOT COMMIT HIMSELF TO FURNISH \$50,000. BOSCH DENIED SAYING THAT HE BELIEVED CASTRO SHOULD BE ELIMINATED AND THAT CASTRO'S ELIMINATION IS WELL WORTH \$150,000. BOSCH KNOWS TEOFILO BABUN SELMAN, CUBAN EXILE, AND OWNER OF ANTILLEAN MARINE SHIPPING CO. HE DOES NOT KNOW BABUN'S ASSOCIATES IN THE COMPANY- ELISEO GOMEZ FERNANDEZ AND OSCAR FERNANDEZ VEIGA. BABUN WAS NOT ONE OF THE TWO CUBANS WHO CALLED ON HIM REGARDING PLAN AND BOSCH CANNOT RECALL FOR CERTAIN IF HE MENTIONED THIS PLAN TO BABUN.

BOSCH KNOWS JULIO LOBO, CUBAN SUGAR MAGNATE, BUT DID NOT AND WOULD NOT ASK LOBO FOR ANYTHING. BOSCH THOROUGHLY DETESTS LOBO AND WOULD NOT ENTER ANYTHING OF WHICH LOBO IS A PART. BOSCH STATED HE DOES NOT KNOW BYRON CAMERON, FT. LAUDERDALE BUSINESSMAN.

HERBERT F. JENNE, FT. LAUDERDALE BUSINESSMAN AND PARTNER OF BYRON CAMERON, SAID ON JULY 13, 1964, THAT CAMERON AND THEIR OTHER PARTNER, WILLIAM S. GRAY, FORMER ATLANTA BUSINESSMAN, ARE EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM MAZATLAN, MEXICO, ON BOARD SHIP RECENTLY PURCHASED THERE. DESCRIBED GRAY AS APPROXIMATELY 30 YEARS OLD AND FORMER OPERATOR OF GRAY MANUFACTURING CO., ATLANTA, GA. GRAY INVESTED \$50,000 IN FIRM OF F.A. JOHNSON, INC., FT. LAUDERDALE,

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WHICH IS BUSINESS WHICH OPERATES THE MOTOR VESSEL CAYMAN HOPE AND WILL OPERATE NEWLY PURCHASED VESSEL. JENNE HAS NO INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY PLOT OR PLAN TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO. HE KNOWS OF NO CONNECTION BETWEEN CAMERON AND ANY OF HOODLUM ELEMENT. STATED CAMERON ONCE OPERATED APPLIANCE BUSINESS IN JACKSONVILLE, ILL., BUT SOLD OUT TO MAN NAMED MERLIN NAUSLEY. JENNE HAS NO INFORMATION THAT CAMERON INVOLVED IN ANTI CASTRO ACTIVITIES.

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