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ReButel to New York 1/25/61.

One copy of this communication is being furnished
Miami for information.

On 1/28/61, [WF [1161] S* (characterize as having furnished reliable information in the past) advised SA DONALD HOETING that he attended the meeting during the evening of 1/28/61, of anti-CASTRO Cubans at the Ambassador Hotel, Washington, D. C. The informant stated there were between 75 and 100 Cubans in attendance in addition to three pro-CASTRO Cubans who are also members of July 26 Movement, Washington, D. C. The pro-CASTRO Cubans are PEDRO TAPPAN, aka RICARDO TAPANES, FERNANDO TENORIO REYIA, and MANUEL "CUCO" BACALLAO.

The anti-CASTRO Cubans known to the informant who attended are as follows:

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LUIS ERNESTO CONTE AGUERO, Former Cuban Ambassador to Bonn, Germany, now member of Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD).

JORGE FERRAMON, Former Cuban Air Force Pilot.

PEDRO LUIS DIAZ LANZ, Former Chief, Cuban Air Force, now with FRD.

now with EMILIA PEREZ, Former Secretary to Cuban Military Attache, wsc Pan American Association (APPA).

ESTHER GUZMAN, Former Press Attache, Embassy of Cuba, now with FRD.

Dr. RAMON ESCANDON, one of the leaders of APPA.

FERNANDO HUTARDO, brother of former Cuban Representative to OAS, ENRIQUE HUTARDO. FERNANDO now with CONTE AGUERO's Group, Frente Anticomunista Cristiano (CAF).

ENRIQUE HUTARDO

OVIDIO MARTINEZ, now with FRD.

JOSE ISERA, former Consul, Embassy of Cuba.

Dr. PONCELLA, either with the OAS or Pan American Union (PAU). On 2/4/61, LCS WF 103522 advised that there is one FERNANDO PONCELL with the PAU in Washington, D. C.

ANNA MOYA, Member of the OAS.

ANGEL SAMPEDRO, Former July 26 Movement, Washington, D. C., Member.

NICOLAS "COLIN" RIVERO, now with FRD.

CARLOS PIAD and wife, CARLOS is now with FRD.

RAMIRO LOYS, formerly associated with Cuban Army as an Accountant.

The informant advised that DIAZ LANZ spoke to the group approximately twenty minutes stressing the importance of unity among all exiled anti-CASTRO groups in the U.S., but did not offer any solution to the problem of unification.

Informant advised that FERNANDO HUTARDO acted as Master of Ceremonies and introduced CONTE AGUERO as the main speaker of the evening, and AGUERO spoke approximately one hour and seven minutes. The main topic of his talk was with respect to the commemoration of the birth of the celebrated Cuban patriot, JOSE MARTI. AGUERO also spoke of the chaotic condition presently existing in Cuba as a result of the Communist Government of FIDEL CASTRO.

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In conclusion, informant stated that there was some talk among a few of the Cubans present that there might possibly be an incident because of the three pro-CASTRO Cubans, mentioned above, who were present at the meeting. However, the informant stated that the entire affair was without incident.

On 2/1/61, RAMIRO LOYS, WFO source of information (protect by request and characterize as having furnished reliable information in the past), advised SAs JOHN L. SPURGERS, JR., and HOETING that he learned from Dr. RAMON ESCANDON that on 1/22/61, a meeting took place in Washington, D. C., at which time FERNANDO HUTARDO was chosen as the personal representative of CONTE AGUERO in Washington, D. C., for AGUERO's anti-CASTRO movement, CAF.

Those who attended and are known to LOYS are as follows:

DC
Cuba

~~RAFAEL INCLAN~~
~~LILY BORROTO~~
FERNANDO HUTARDO (APPA)
ESTHER GUZMAN
ENRIQUE HUTARDO
EMILIA PEREZ (APPA)
~~PEDRO PEREZ~~
~~MARIA PEREZ~~
~~AMANDA MOLINA~~
~~ELENA GOMEZ~~
~~MAGALI ABAD~~
RAMON ESCANDON (APPA)
RAMON LLORET (APPA)
NICOLAS "COLIN" RIVERO (FRD)

LOYS was unable to furnish any additional information with respect to the 1/22/61, meeting.

In addition to what ~~WF~~ [1161] ~~St~~ furnished, LOYS mentioned the following anti-CASTRO Cubans known to him who attended the 1/28/61, meeting:

Venezuela
RAMON LLORET
TANCREDO BARRADAS, a Venezuelan
RAFAEL INCLAN, son of the Dean of Havana University

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LC
Cuba
~~MARIA TERESA CANO~~, with the PAU
~~ORLANDO GARCIA IGLESIA~~ and wife
~~CECILIA ESTEVE~~, APPA

~~MARTA LARRAZABAL~~, Former Student at the University
of Havana, not connected with any anti-CASTRO group
AIDE MORALES

P.R. D.C.
~~SAMUEL and LUCIA MOLINARES~~, Puerto Ricans who are
friends of ORLANDO GARCIA IGLESIA, not connected
with any anti-CASTRO group but opposed to CASTRO
ANNA DUMOIS, friend of MARTA LARRAZABAL and former
student of pharmacy at the University of Havana

On 1/31/61, ANGEL SAMPEDRO, a source of information
of WFO (protect by request and characterize as having
insufficient contact to determine reliability), was contacted
by SA JOHN G. GOEDTEL, but was unable to furnish any
additional information than what was reported by ~~WF~~ [161-S] ~~JOE~~
and WFO source RAMIRO LOYS.

Informant, LOYS and SAMPEDRO all advised that
strength of organizations which were represented at 1/28/61,
celebration ~~was~~ not discussed and neither ^{were} any concrete
accomplishments or plans for future activity noted.

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