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On 8/8/74, [MM 2960-PSI, who is well informed concerning some Cuban exile activity, reported that MARIETA FANDINO of "La Verdad" and MIGUEL ANGEL PERAZA are two of the individuals behind UMA.] This source stated that about one year ago, FANDINO remarked that they should sabotage stores in which "Replica" is sold. FANDINO is using PERAZA and other people who work for "La Verdad."

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On 8/16/74, [MM 2960-PSI] reported that many people in the Cuban community believe that MARIETA FANDINO ordered a phony attempt against her own life by some of her associates in an attempt to bring pressure against MAX LESNICK. Following this attempt, she published a number of articles directed against LESNICK and implying that he had something to do with this attack.

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It is to be noted that Miami newspapers carried articles showing a number of bullet holes which had allegedly been fired into a car driven by FANDINO.

On 9/6/74, MM 1550-KS, who is acquainted with LUIS TORNES, MAX LESNICK and many other Cuban exiles in the Miami area, reported the following information:

In July, 1974, MARIETA FANDINO, chief spokeswoman and conspirator of UMA, announced that she was the victim of a murder attempt while driving her car with another UMA member, MIGUEL ANGEL PERAZA. Several shots were fired into her car. FANDINO and PERAZA subsequently claimed to the police that the shots were fired from a late model Thunderbird which is the same type of car driven by MAX LESNICK.

MM 1550-KS learned from TORNES that the shots were actually fired from a car driven by another UMA member, ALBERTO ORDONEZ, a car and jewel thief. The shooting act was done by PEDRO MARTINEZ de CASTRO with a .45 caliber handgun, while ORDONEZ was driving with the consent and cooperation of FANDINO and PERAZA. MARTINEZ is also a member of UMA and is reported to have participated in attacks against Cuban

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markets distributing "Replica."

TORNES has confided to MM 1550-KS that MARTINEZ is responsible for the bombing of the Latin Chamber of Commerce which occurred on 5/27/74, two weeks after "Replica" was bombed. MM 1550-KS said that UMA has claimed credit for the bombings of "Replica," the Latin Chamber of Commerce office, and the Cuban Municipalities on West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida.

MM 1550-KS reported that the hard-core members of UMA are MARIETA FANDINO, MIGUEL ANGEL PERAZA and AUREA POGGIO.

MM 1550-KS said that PEDRO MARTINEZ CASTRO is also responsible for throwing red paint at the Cuban markets which sell "Replica." TORNES, according to this source, disclaims responsibility for the bombing of the Latin Chamber of Commerce.

On 9/3/74, MM 2960-PSI advised that FANDINO disclosed that an individual came to her office and told her that UMA was being dissolved; this individual was tall and dark. FANDINO did not elaborate on why this was being done or the identity of the individual who furnished this information to her. The source expressed the opinion that FANDINO is behind UMA and has decided to dissolve the group because the FBI has become actively involved in the investigation of UMA. (c)(u)

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