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ANTONIO VECIANA BLANCH

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Veciana displayed disgust for the policies of the United States Government and the actions of United States officials in their posture regarding Cuba. Veciana believes the United States has abandoned the cause of freedom for Cuba and by its actions was protecting the Castro regime. ~~(S)~~ ~~(u)~~ VECIANA FLA

Veciana told Pineda to organize public demonstrations and armed attacks in order to annoy the United States and create problems. Veciana said he would contribute \$3,000 to \$5,000 per month to support these activities. He told Pineda that when he became organized and ready to begin these activities, he should contact Veciana's wife, Cira, who resides in Miami, who would give Pineda the money. Veciana admonished Pineda to keep in contact with the local leaders of the SNFE-A-66 so as to work in accordance with them. ~~(S)~~ ~~(u)~~ VECIANA

~~(u)~~ ~~(S)~~ T-7, a source with whom contact was too limited to establish reliability, advised on August 7, 1968, that he is a close friend of Veciana and that Veciana is presently in Bolivia working for the Banco Internacional de Desarrollo (International Development Bank) (BID). Source said that Veciana has been in Bolivia only a short time and will remain there for approximately six months. Source stated that he believes Veciana is not involved in any type anti-Castro activities and that if Veciana were involved, the source would know about it. Source said that the headquarters of the BID is in Washington, D. C. Source stated that when Veciana is in Puerto Rico, he is the Director of the Puerto Rico Promotions and Entertainment Inc., which promotes athletic affairs such as boxing matches, etc. ~~(S)~~ ~~(u)~~ VECIANA

The records of the Division of Motor Vehicles of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico were searched by an Agent of the FBI on August 23rd and September 9, 1968, in the name of the subject and no record was located which would be identical with the subject. u

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On September 20, 1966, SJ T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is personally acquainted with Veciana, advised that Veciana, who had been the treasurer of the SNFE, was no longer connected with the organization. (S)(u)

On October 4, 1968, SJ T-4, who is a member of the SNFE, advised that to his knowledge, Veciana has had no connection with the SNFE for several years. This informant said that the last he had heard, Veciana was residing in Puerto Rico and was not active in anti-Castro affairs. (S)(u)

On November 20, 1968, Olga Ortega, Clerk, Passport Office, Commonwealth Department of State, San Juan, Puerto Rico, advised that she was unable to locate any record identifiable with the subject.

On November 22, 1968, SJ T-5, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is familiar with anti-Castro activity in the San Juan, Puerto Rico area, advised that he has determined that Antonio Veciana is apparently not engaged in any anti-Castro activity and has not been for some time. Information on his whereabouts can be obtained from the Office at Bithorn Stadium in Hato Rey. (S)(u)

On December 11, 1968, the records of the Office of Intelligence, Police of Puerto Rico, were reviewed by an Agent of the FBI and no information was contained therein other than that previously reported. (S)(u)

On January 16, 1969, SJ T-1 advised that the subject with whom he is intimately acquainted is still in Bolivia and as soon as he returns he will advise the Federal Bureau of Investigation. (S)(u)

On February 5, 1969, Mr. Felix Sabala, co-owner and Director of Puerto Rico Promotions Inc., advised an Agent of the FBI that Veciana is still an equal partner in the above enterprise and will return to work with him in late May or early June, 1969. Veciana is currently employed by the Interamerican Bank for Development in La Paz, Bolivia. He can be contacted at USAID, Casila 673, La Paz, Bolivia. He stated that the subject, to the best of his knowledge, has not been engaged in any anti-Castro activities for the past several years. He is not engaged in any political activity at the current time. (S)(u)

During the period July-December, 1968, various confidential sources of the San Juan Office were contacted with negative results regarding the activities of the subject. (S)(u)

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