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 One Davidson*

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All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and identical references were found as set out on page 2:

This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed on page 2. All references under these names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY. References indicated in the block as SI contain the same information as the foregoing serial although the information may have been received from a different source.

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~~Irving Davidson ✓~~
~~Irving I. Davidson ✓~~
~~Irving Isaac Davidson ✓~~
~~Irving R. Davidson ✓~~
~~Irwin Davidson ✓~~
~~Isadore Irving Davidson ✓~~
~~Irving Davison ✓~~
Confidential Informant 1633 ✓

ABBREVIATIONS

Add. info.....Additional information appearing in this reference which pertains to I. Irving Davidson can be found in the main file or elsewhere in this summary. This information may have been received from a different source.

WDC.....Washington, DC

The following references set forth the activities and associates of Eric Davidson from approximately June 1944 to July 1945, during which time Davidson served as purchaser for Indomex, S.A., Avenue, Cinco de Mayo 20, Mexico, D.F. It was noted that as of 4/24/45,

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[WF 568-S*] ^(S) advised that on 1/30/57, Irv Davidson, who had ~~(S)~~ just returned from an undisclosed location, ~~(S)~~ informed [Colonel Katriel Salmon, former Israeli Military, Naval and Air Attache] ^(S) in WDC, that he had just seen [Mr. C] ^(S) (possibly referring to [Itzhak Cohen] ^(S) [105-70008] ^(S)).

[WF 568-S*] ^(S) reported that on 1/17/58, [Cohen and Salmon] ^(S) discussed Irv Davidson, whom [Salmon] ^(S) stated he had not seen since Davidson departed for Nicaragua. ~~(S)~~

On 2/20/58, Mrs. Ruth Brady, Registration Section, Internal Security Division, US Department of Justice, advised that I. Irving Davidson was a registered agent for the Government of Nicaragua. Mrs. Carle, registration clerk, Office of Munitions Control, United States Department of State, advised on 7/1/58, that Davidson was registered at that office as an exporter and importer, dealing in rifles and surplus vehicles.

[105-70008-4 p.1,3,4] ^(S)
(20,53)

On 10/1/58, Mr. Allan P. Ennis, Auditor of the Sheraton-Carlton Hotel, WDC, furnished background data relating to the notorious Bernard Goldfine incident at the Hotel (Details set out). According to information which had come to his attention concerning the "escapades" of the important guests at the Hotel, Ennis reported that Jack Anderson (139-727) and Irving Davidson had recently given Jack Walters four or five \$50 bills. Ennis stated that he did not know the connection between Davidson and Walters, but that Davidson was supposed to have paid \$1,000 for a wedding reception for Walters at the Washington Hotel. It was noted that Walters was an ex-room clerk at the Hotel who had been discharged for assisting Anderson and Baron Shacklette (139-727) in the Goldfine incident.

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^(S) [CIA, Rome] (protect identity), memorandum dated 2/12/65, disclosed that Stephen Czarnecki, a Nicaraguan residing in Paris, was ~~(S)~~

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It was noted that Davidson advised Captain Mahaney that neither he nor Pedro de Mesones (not identified) trusted MM 639-S (known to them only as Howard Davis - protect) in view of his (MM 639-S) close association with Angel Perez Vidal, a Castro associate.

[109-539-295 p.3] (S) (u)
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On 4/28/59, Rafael Berrido, 551 West 157th Street, NYC, former Dominican Vice-Consul in NYC, advised that he had no knowledge of any attempt by Irving Davidson to obtain support from the Dominican Consulate in NYC for anti-Communist propaganda. In connection with the recent anti-Castro picketing in Washington, DC, Berrido stated that Rafael Del Pino, an anti-Castro Cuban, and Pedro De Mesones, who was in charge of the picketing, were advised on all their activities by Irving Davidson.

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100-237194-759 p.25-27,41
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On 4/28/59, Juan Gomez (105-53899) advised that, to his knowledge, Irving Davidson made no attempt to obtain support from the Dominican Consulate, NYC, in connection with anti-Communist propaganda or anti-Fidel Castro activities or picketing.

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105-53899-15 p.14,16
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On 10/14/59, Francisco Tabernilla Palermo (105-78397) advised that he was acquainted with Irving Davidson whom he initially met in Cuba (date not given) when Davidson sold thirty T-17 tanks to Cuba, which were delivered from Nicaragua. Tabernilla stated that he met socially with Davidson in Miami, Fla., in approximately June 1959.

105-78397-7 p.1,4

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On 6/3/59, INS, Riviera Beach, Fla., advised that Francisco Tabernilla Palmero (105-78397) was residing at 136 Everglades Ave., Palm Beach, Fla., and had obtained permission during the month of June, 1959, to visit Irving Davidson at the Skyways Hotel, Miami.

MM-639-S advised that Davidson was a registered agent of the Nicaraguan Government and was in contact with Cuban nationals in the US who were active in anti-Fidel Castro revolutionary activity. (Date not given)

105-78397-4 p.1,3,4

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On 3/1/60, Francisco Rodriguez Tamayo (105-78976) advised that in approximately June 1959, he met in WDC with Arnold Rayber, an arms dealer, and Irving Davidson, Registered Agent of Israel, to discuss the purchase of arms for the CRAC (Cruzada Revolucionaria Anti-Comunista) which had been formed to execute the overthrow of the Castro Government in Cuba. Rodriguez indicated that he did not know if subsequent deliveries were made by Rayber or Davidson as he abandoned the CRAC shortly thereafter.

105-78976-23 p.3

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Arnold Rayber, a confidential informant of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit in NYC (protect identity), advised that in June 1959, he learned that some Cubans were making inquiry concerning possible purchase of machine gun parts. Upon meeting the "boss" of the group,

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Francisco Rodriguez Tamayo (105-78976), Rayber was asked whether he could furnish any Russian military uniforms, Russian flags or Russian made guns in order that Rodriguez, in turn, could claim that his organization, Crusade of Revolutionaries Against Communism (CRAC), seized the articles in Cuba. Rodriguez instructed Rayber to contact Irving Davidson, in WDC, who would pay for the articles; however, Davidson claimed he knew nothing about the arrangement and stated that he would receive no packages.

105-78976-19 p.3

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On 7/3/59, William L. Shea, Attorney in the firm of Webb and Shea, 1001 Connecticut Avenue, NW, WDC (protect identity), advised that approximately three years previously, he traveled to Venezuela with I. Irving Davidson (protect identity), in an endeavor to obtain a construction contract from the Venezuelan Government. In line with preliminary arrangements, Webb and Davidson met with Gustavo San Roman, head of the Vica Company of Venezuela, Pedro Estrada, Venezuelan "strong man" under President Marcos Perez Jimenez, and Francisco Aguirre Baca (62-77794).

On 7/23/59, I. Irving Davidson (protect identity) advised that at one time, Aguirre and one Tom Hendrick of San Francisco ran a clandestine lottery in Nicaragua and San Francisco.

Confidential Source Dan R. Hamady, Housing and Home Finance Agency, 1626 K. Street, NW, WDC (protect identity), advised that in early July 1959, he was in contact with Davidson at which time Davidson commented that Francisco Aguirre was "on the other side of the political fence from the Somoza brothers" who were currently in power in Nicaragua. Informant indicated that he questioned Davidson's reliability and stated that Davidson was the registered agent of the Nicaraguan Government.

62-77794-64 p.C, 1-4

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formerly occupied at the Wyatt Building, WDC, for the purpose of issuing propaganda concerning the current political and economic situation in Cuba. Davidson also stated that he planned to accompany Gutierrez to the offices of the Registration Section of the Department of Justice in order to obtain the necessary application papers to register Sterling's political party, the Movimiento Pueblo Libre (97-4226).

On 4/18/60, WF 1205-PSI reported that Sterling had requested to rent Davidson's former office which would be the headquarters for the Movimiento Pueblo Libre.

97-4226-2

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SI 97-4226-8 p.1-3

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109-321-11 p.3,4

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On 6/6/60, Rudolph Hernandez, cotton broker, Atlanta, Ga. (protect identity), furnished information concerning his knowledge of affairs in Central America and the Caribbean. Hernandez stated that Nicaraguan Ambassador to the US, Guillermo Sevilla Secasa, and I. Irving Davidson, Registered Agent of Nicaragua who maintained offices in WDC, were business partners in a plywood plant in Nicaragua. Hernandez also stated that, according to Francisco Gualberto Cajigas (105-83197), a check for the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, signed by Anselmo Aliegro, former Prime Minister of Cuba, was reportedly given to I. Irving Davidson to purchase arms in Israel for shipment to Nicaragua.

105-83197-15 p.8

(21)

The following references appear in the file captioned "Ruben Oscar Miro Guardia" and contain information regarding Miro's frequent contacts with I. Irving Davidson during the period of 12/8/59 to 6/7/60. The contacts involved discussions of a proposed revolution in Panama

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observations on the strength of the various anti-Castro organizations including the Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD) (105-87912). Giberga stated that he had been introduced to I. Irving Davidson, 1612 K St., N.W., WDC, by Anselmo Alliegro, former President of the Cuban Senate and mutual friend of Giberga and Davidson. Giberga stated that he had solicited Davidson's assistance in attempting to obtain employment in WDC.

105-87912-60

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SI 105-83719-23

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Investigator Ben Pearson of the US Immigration and Naturalization Service, San Ysidro, Cal., made available a list of suspected Cuban agents compiled as of 11/1/60, which list contained the name of I. Irving Davidson. The results of investigation disclosed that Davidson was registered with the Department of Justice as an agent for the Government of Nicaragua.

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[105-80787-312 encl.p.6] (S)(u)

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The following references in the file captioned "Israeli Embassy, Washington, DC," contain information furnished by [WF 568-S*] (S) concerning contacts between I. Irving Davidson and officers of the Embassy staff during the period of 11/24/56 to 1/30/61. The references disclosed that Davidson was in contact with Colonel Katriel Salmon, Israeli Military Attache, Colonel Aharon Yariv, Israeli Military, Naval and Air Attache, and Avraham Salmon, Economic Counselor, concerning matters relating to their respective positions. (S) (X)

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[105-10828-445 (Director's Quotation)
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In response to a request and by letter dated 3/27/61, AAG was furnished a summary of pertinent information relating to the individuals or firms occupying space at 1612 K Street, NW, WDC.

A summary memorandum dated 3/23/61 on I. Irving Davidson, who maintained offices at the above address, disclosed that Davidson was born on 1/19/21, at Pittsburgh, Pa., and had resided in WDC since approximately the early 1940's. Davidson was employed by the War Production Board from 1941 to 1944, and began his career with public relations thereafter. He was registered with the Foreign Agents Registration Section, Department of Justice, as an agent for the Governments of Nicaragua, Ecuador and Israel, dealing primarily in arms. The summary was concluded by reiterating information concerning Davidson's association with James R. Hoffa, President of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, and with known hoodlums and his Latin American activities.

Copy of Memorandum enclosed
62-5-7720 encl.p.3-5 (Summary 4/23/61)
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SI 62-5-7684
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In response to a request by AAG, the files of the Passport Office, Department of State, and the records of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, WDC, were reviewed on 4/11/61 and 4/10-20/61, respectively, in connection with the activities of the occupants of Room 306, 1612 K Street, NW. It was noted that among the individuals

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MM 492-S advised that on 4/23/62, he was contacted by I. Irving Davidson, Registered Agent of Nicaragua, with offices in WDC. Davidson reportedly inquired about a check in the amount of \$12,500,000 presumably drawn by, or on behalf of, Fulgencio Batista, former President of Cuba. Davidson also requested Informant to identify one Prado or Pardo and Sam Kay whom Informant identified as an international gangster during the Batista regime in Cuba. Davidson remarked that the transaction was "a clean deal" and Informant speculated that Davidson might be involved in the purchase or sale of arms.

105-107338-8

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In accordance with a request from the AAG, the books and records of Arthur L. Quinn (97-4768), 1625 K. Street, NW, WDC, were reviewed pursuant to Section 5 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, and Rule 501 of the Act. The material contained several references to I. Irving Davidson, primarily in connection with a mutual interest in the sugar industry. As the representative of the largest of the two sugar mill operations in Ecuador, Davidson appeared and presented the case for the entire sugar industry of Ecuador before the Committee on Agriculture, US House of Representatives, 5/24/62. (Details set out.)

97-4768-6 p.21,38-40,55

(16,51)

The following references contain information concerning the association between I. Irving Davidson and Brigadier General R. M. S. Soerjosoerarmo (105-106513), Military Attache of the Embassy of Indonesia in WDC in connection with Davidson's duties as Registered Agent for the Indonesian National Army. Davidson made available a copy of a letter of authorization dated 12/27/61 and signed by Soerjosoerarmo and stated that his appointment was obtained through the efforts of Paul Pesik, former employee of the Indonesian Embassy, who arranged the initial interview.

On 1/30/62 and 6/11/62, Davidson furnished WFO with information concerning his duties and the type of information requested by the Indonesians.

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[105-106513-3 p.E,F,8,9] (S)
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The following references in the file captioned "Frank Marion Austin; Glen Paulson Bevan" contain information concerning a check for the amount of 12½ million dollars which was drawn by or on behalf of Fulgencio Batista, former President of Cuba, and in which I. Irving Davidson expressed an interest in April 1962. The references indicated that through July 1962, Davidson, Subjects Austin and Bevan, Sam Kay, a reputed international gangster, and Al (Abe) Goodman, an associate of Sam Kay, were concerned about the whereabouts of the check and its eventual denouement. (Details and results of interviews with above individuals set out.)

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-89 p.1,9-19

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-103 p.1-4

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X [WF 970-S*] (S) advised that on 7/19/62, I. Irving Davidson (S) informed [Colonel Julio C. Morales of the Embassy of Nicaragua] of a letter he had recently written to Luis Somoza, President of Nicaragua, advising him to keep things moving and that Nicaragua would be easier than Cuba. X (Details set out.) (S)

It was noted that Davidson was registered with the Department of Justice as an agent of the Republic of Ecuador and of the Republic of Nicaragua. On 7/5/62, Davidson filed an amendment to his registration stating he had been retained on a contingent fee basis to help obtain a sugar quota for the Republic of Ecuador.

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On 10/15/62, [WF 970-S*] ^(S) advised ~~that~~ [Julio C. Morales, ~~(S)~~ Military and Air Attache, Embassy of Nicaragua, Washington, DC, had contacted [Charlie Goldberg (2-1776)] ^(S) of Dallas, Tex. [Goldberg] ^(S) indicated that he had originally attempted to contact I. Irving Davidson on a matter of some urgency but determined that Davidson was in Europe. [Goldberg] ^(S) then proceeded to discuss the purchase of aircraft. ~~(S)~~

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WFO letter dated 1/18/63 captioned ["Unsub; At Suite 306, 1612 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C., In Contact with Albanian U.N. Delegation, 12/6/62,] ^(S) concerned the individuals who occupied that suite. ~~X~~ Although it was ascertained that the occupants included ~~(S)~~ I. Irving Davidson and the Danic Corp. (president - Davidson), no investigation was contemplated to determine the identity of the individual or group ^(S) in contact with the [Albanian personnel.] ^(S)

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On 3/28/63, George Wohlfarth, Randall H. Hagner and Company, 1321 Connecticut Avenue, NW, WDC, which firm managed the property at 2480 16th Street, NW, advised that Frank M. Barry (97-3485) was a resident at the 2480 16th Street address. According to Barry's rental record, I. Irving Davidson was listed as a personal reference.

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97-3485-9 p.A, 2-4, 15

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On 4/29/63, [WF 1446-S*] ^(S) advised ~~that~~ [Mohammed Dosky] ^(S) ~~(S)~~ Second Secretary, Embassy of Iraq (65-55156) ^(S) WDC, stated that he had ~~(S)~~ read in the "Wall Street Journal," NYC newspaper, that I. Irving Davidson had persuaded some responsible persons in the US Army to purchase machine guns from Israel, called the UZI. [Dosky] ^(S) indicated ~~(S)~~

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that Davidson also persuaded the North Atlantic Group (possibly North Atlantic Treaty Organization) to grant Israeli companies the concessions or contracts for studying a jet airplane for recommendations for improvement.

On 7/22/58, Davidson advised The Registration Section, United States Department of Justice, that one of his foreign principals was Israeli Military Industries. Davidson later advised that his activity on behalf of Israeli Military Industries was concerned primarily with the promotion and attempted sale of the UZI Submachine Gun.

[65-55156-546] (S)
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On 7/16/63, [WF 970-S*] (S) reported that I. Irving Davidson had ~~(S)~~ contacted one Bob Thompson (Phonetic) in NYC in order to discourage the further involvement of John (Duke) Wayne, the movie actor, in a business venture with Frank M. Barry (97-3485). Davidson indicated that Barry had no funds and that Wayne was certain to lose money in such a deal. (Details set out.)

97-3485-17
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The following references in the file captioned "Anti-Fidel Castro Activities" contain information relating to I. Irving Davidson and his participation in the activities coinciding with Castro's visit to the US. During the period of 4/14-16/59, Davidson made arrangements for handbills, placards and pickets and reportedly participated in a demonstration on 4/16/59. In addition, Davidson provided financial assistance to the anti-Castro groups. On 5/1/59, 4/7/60, 8/9/63 and 8/15/63, Davidson furnished information concerning his contacts with Dr. Carlos Marquez Sterling, former Cuban Senator, and other anti-Castro group leaders and his offer to furnish former office space in the Wyatt Building, WDC, which was to be used as the headquarters for the various anti-Castro groups. (Results of interviews set out.)

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legislation was necessary to regulate activities of representative of foreign clients. In his foreign agent's registration with the Justice Department, Davidson listed a Murchison Construction Company among his clients.

58-5520-A "The Evening Star" 2/4/64
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NY 3936-C (137-8862) advised that on 3/1/64, he spoke with I. Irving Davidson, WDC Public Relations Counsellor, who indicated that he was extremely friendly with the Special Assistant to the Attorney General Hooker who was assigned to the prosecution staff in the trial of James Hoffa in Chattanooga, Tenn. Davidson claimed a close association with Hoffa, agreed to aid Informant in securing mortgages from the Teamsters Pension Fund and discussed a business venture whereby he and Hooker planned to import beef cattle from France.

137-8862-138
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During the course of an investigation conducted by SA's of the San Francisco Office in connection with another matter, Stewart B. Hopps (63-7893) made reference to a signed statement executed by him on 4/2/64 for the NYO. Hopps recalled that the individual he referred to in the signed statement as the teamsters personal Public Relations Counsel in WDC, was Irving Davidson or Davison, a public relations man for James Hoffa in WDC.

63-7893-166
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Bureau memo dated 6/23/64 captioned "Foreign Political Matters - Haiti" and copies of State Department communications enclosed therewith pertained to the sale of aircraft to Haiti and the individuals reportedly involved in the arrangements. A communication dated 6/4/64 indicated that nothing had been heard from Irving Davidson since his

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departure from Haiti in late March 1964, at which time he sought the release of one Rudy Tippenhauer. (No further details.)

Communications dated 6/22/64 pertain to Davidson's contacts with the State Department concerning his knowledge of the sale. (Details set out.)

Copies of communications enclosed
109-12-217-985 encl.p.1,2,8
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In an article captioned "Davidson Denies Haiti Arms Story," "The Washington Post and Times Herald," in the 9/30/64 issue, printed a retraction for an article printed on the previous day reporting a visit to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, in May by I. Irving Davidson and two Dallas arms suppliers. The previous statement had also indicated that Haiti had obtained two American T-28 planes from the US which caused Davidson to deny that he was involved in the shipment of the planes.

In addition, the 9/30/64 issue carried an article captioned "US Planes Smuggled to Duvalier," which described the movement of the shipment of T-28 fighter planes which were being smuggled from Texas to Haiti through Mexico. According to the article, the planes were purchased in Dallas by Haiti's Banque Commercial president Clemard Joseph Charles (105-111994).

105-111994-A "The Washington Post
(24) and Times Herald" 9/30/64

The following references in the file captioned "Embassy of Nicaragua" contain information pertaining to the contacts between I. Irving Davidson and Colonel Julio C. Morales, Nicaraguan Military and Air Attache and Charge d'Affaires at that establishment. Davidson, a registered agent of the Nicaraguan Government maintained contact with Morales during the period of 9/30/56 to 11/13/64, primarily in connection with the assassination of Nicaraguan President Anastasio Somoza and political matters in Nicaragua. Information was also set out concerning Davidson's contacts with and efforts to secure bulletproof vests from the Bureau.

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The following references pertain to the registration statements filed by I. Irving Davidson as an agent of a foreign principal, as furnished by the Internal Security Division of the Department, and Reports of the AG to the Congress of the United States.

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4/30/55	Republic of Nicaragua, General A. Samoza, President	97-0-708 (14)

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role of the Cuban Constitutional Unity, Inc. (105-143044), which intended to unify the Cuban exiles in the US as well as in Latin America. Reboso stated that he was furnishing the information at the suggestion of I. Irving Davidson, an individual engaged in public relations in the WDC area.

105-143044-2

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On 12/21/65, CG 6689-PC (137-9816) advised that during a recent trip to Detroit, Mich., he had arranged to meet with Leo "Bookie" Schaeffer in an effort to assist Schaeffer in obtaining a position as a sales representative for a steel firm located in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. Informant further advised that Irving Davidson, a "5%er" from WDC, was employed by Schaeffer to help him obtain customers in his new sales job for the steel firm.

137-9816-9

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By letter dated 3/16/66, Los Angeles Office furnished a review of the accomplishments and future potential of LA 4738-PC (137-14109). According to this data, Informant had become acquainted with I. Irving Davidson, public relations man from WDC, who owned a tract of land in Beverly Hills. Davidson was previously associated with Fred Black, former lobbyist for North American Aviation, and Robert G. Baker*. Davidson had reportedly contacted Informant in Los Angeles and upon his return to Los Angeles from WDC, Davidson and Informant were scheduled to meet concerning the disposal of the land owned by Davidson.

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The following references which appear in the file dual-captioned "Julio Aton Constanzo Palau; Gerald Patrick Hemming; et al;" set forth conflicting statements concerning the group of trained Cuban exiles who were recruited during the Summer of 1965 to fight against the communist elements in the Dominican Republic. I. Irving Davidson, who maintained close association with Dominican General Antonio Imbert Barreras, was reported to be instrumental in organizing the group and backing the plan financially. The group was reported to have been formed by Hemming while Constanzo appeared to be a leader within the group. Davidson was reported to be in contact with the Pentagon and the State Department to obtain approval of the plan.

The references disclosed that Davidson conferred with individuals interested in the anti-Castro movement in Miami in June 1959 and visited the DR in March 1959 and June 1965.

The above Dominican plan apparently failed to materialize and on 6/27/66, Davidson denied any association with Hemming or Constanzo, any knowledge or connection with the DR scheme or financial backing to the project. (Results of interviews set out.)

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2-1917-2 encl.p.3	(2)
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-8 encl.p.3,4	(2)
-21 encl.p.1	(32)
-23 encl.p.2	(2)
-29	(not indexed)
-32	(2)

[SJ 584-S*] advised that on 6/30/66, Jose Antonio Benitez (C) (97-5079) stated that he and other individuals planned to purchase the Hotel Hispaniola in Santo Domingo. Benitez also stated that he had conferred with a man named Davidson whom informant believed to be I. Irving Davidson, a WDC lobbyist, and General Gleason whom Benitez described as head of the Bank of Chicago, prior to Davidson's and Gleason's departure from San Juan for Santo Domingo to meet with Joaquin Balaguer, the Dominican Republic President. Benitez advised

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Informant that Davidson was the individual who financed Balaguer and that Gleason was the head of the Veterans Administration under President John F. Kennedy.

97-5079-7 p.2,3

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NY 3936-C-TE (137-8862) reported on 9/23 and 26/66, that he recently spoke with Jack McCarthy regarding Governor Rockefeller's campaign and contacted Nat Veloshen. Veloshen indicated that he would see I. Irving Davidson in Washington on Informant's behalf. Informant stated that he desired to obtain information from Davidson concerning gambling interests in the Caribbean area. (No further details.)

137-8862-234

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The references set out hereafter appear in the file captioned "Haitian Revolutionary Activities" and set forth information relating to the attempted invasions of Haiti which was furnished primarily by I. Irving Davidson from 8/1/63 to 12/12/66. Davidson provided information regarding the leadership, source of funds, armaments, and participants, the latter of which included groups of exiled Cubans and Haitians. (Details set out.)

In connection with a registration matter, Davidson, on 12/16/64, indicated that he was not required to complete the necessary registration due to the fact that he was "working closely" with the State Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The misapprehension on Davidson's part was brought to his attention in both instances.

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Arsenio Rojas

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[WF 984-S*]^(S) advised that on 9/13/67, [Alfred Ricart, Counselor^(S) Embassy of the Dominican Republic, WDC] was attempting to locate I^(S) Irving Davidson for a meeting with one Fred Goff who was writing an article on US and Dominican sugar interests. (Details set out.)

109-12-211-12631

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The following references appear in the main files of the individuals listed below and set forth the association between I. Irving Davidson and the criminal element from January 1949 to October 1967. Due to this association, Davidson frequently furnished information relating to the activities of the underworld.

Davidson was reported to be close to and in frequent contact with James R. Hoffa. Davidson was reportedly instrumental in negotiating several loans with the Teamsters Union Pension Fund for which he received sizable fees and attended the Hoffa trial in Nashville, Tenn., in November 1962.

The references set forth considerable background data on Davidson, disclosed that he was a registered agent for Israel, Nicaragua and Ecuador and indicated that he traveled to Florida, New York, Pennsylvania and England.

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James Riddle Hoffa

James Riddle Hoffa;
Telephone Toll Records

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James Riddle Hoffa;
Miscellaneous - Information
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James Riddle Hoffa
Miscellaneous-Information
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James Riddle Hoffa, et al;
Miscellaneous-Information
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Antonio Ripepi

92-3018-12 p.7-10,58
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data set out)

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29,120

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Notation)

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John Roselli

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Julius Salsbury

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8/18/66	Hector Claudio Peralta	105-156247-3 (25)
9/9/66	Political Matters- Dominican Republic	109-12-211-11564 (26)
9/9/66	Political Matters- Dominican Republic	109-12-211-11578 (26)
9/9/66 9/20/66	Political Matters Dominican Republic	109-12-211-11634 (26)
11/14/66 11/22/66	Martin Luther King	100-106670-2780 (42) 100-106670-2793 (42)
10/5/67	Political Matters- Vietnam	109-12-330-338 (28)
10/28/67 10/31/67	Assassination of President John F. Kennedy	62-109060-5837 (8)
12/21/67	Political Matters- Vietnam	109-12-330-353 (Director's (28) Notation)
7/8/68	Carlos Joseph Marcello; SA Patrick J. Collins, Jr.- Victim	89-1333-100 (12)

On 9/16/68, [WF 1456-S*] (S) advised that on the same date, (S) I. Irving Davidson (S) unsuccessfully attempted to contact [Rodolfo Garcia de Paredes at the Embassy of Panama, WDC. (S) Paredes (S) had been described by Davidson as [Executive Director of Intercomsa. (S)]

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6/11/62	105-12368-170	(19)
6/25/62	109-12-331-306	(28)
7/10/63	97-3485-21 p.1,3,6-9 add. info.	(15)
8/1/63 8/8/63	2-1622-242 p.A,1-5	(2)
8/1/63 8/3/63 8/5/63 8/23/63	105-65100-11 p.9-13,18	(20)
8/25/63	109-12-211-1964	(25)
11/8/63	58-5520-334 p.1,2,8	(3)
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3/10/64	[65-68554-4 p.15](S)	(11)
5/15/64	58-5205-331 -333 -334 p.3	(not indexed) (3) (33)
12/16/64 12/22/64	105-117594-4	(24)
4/13/65	105-124462-45 encl.p.1,2	(24)
8/6/65	109-12-210-5286	(25)

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REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY

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The following references on I. Irving Davidson and Irving Davidson located in files maintained in the Special File Room of the Records Branch, Files and Communications Division, were not reviewed, and it is not known whether they are identical with the subject of this summary:

REFERENCE

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62-109231-10 encl.p.6

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64-330-217-357

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The following references on Irving Davidson located in files maintained in the Office of the Assistant Director, Crime Records Division, were not reviewed, and it is not known whether they are identical with the subject of this summary:

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See the search slip filed behind file for a reference on this subject which is a log, and therefore was not abstracted.

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