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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 7-29-60

FROM : Legal Attaché, Madrid (105-432)

SUBJECT: ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO
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Attached are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum containing information on the above subject, as well as nine copies of an evaluation memorandum concerning the confidential source abroad. This source is CAMILO PADREDA VAZQUEZ, former member of the Cuban Bureau for the Repression of Communist Activities (BRAC), who is currently in exile in Spain. The letterhead memorandum has been classified confidential because it contains information concerning the activities of a member of the CASTRO armed forces.

No local dissemination was made of the attached memorandum.

At the time he furnished the above information, PADREDA VAZQUEZ was accompanied by one ROLANDO MERUELO, whose brother, OTTO MERUELO, was a prominent spokesman for the BATISTA government and who is currently serving a 30-year prison sentence in Cuba for his activities. ROLANDO MERUELO stated that he has been in Spain in exile for about eight months. He expressed the opinion that subject GUTIERREZ MENOYO might possibly be plotting against the CASTRO government himself. He pointed out that it has been frequently rumored that Colonel RAMON BARQUIN LOPEZ, with whom subject had conversations in Madrid, is not too happy with the CASTRO government and he felt that the subject may have been feeling out BARQUIN LOPEZ.

MERUELO also pointed out that following the capture of the small group which endeavored to land at Trinidad, Cuba, from the Dominican Republic, nothing was heard of GUTIERREZ MENOYO for about a month and a half, and it was only then that he was publicly given credit with aiding WILLIAM MORGAN in uncovering the conspiracy against the CASTRO government. He said that at the time there was considerable conjecture that

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GUTIERREZ MENOYO may have been involved himself in the conspiracy and only belatedly aided the CASTRO government in uncovering it after his participation had been discovered. (S)(u)

A copy of this letter together with a copy of the letterhead memorandum and the evaluation memorandum are being sent direct to the Paris Office. If possible to easily do so, Paris is requested to endeavor to obtain from Belgian sources additional information concerning ARTURO G. MATA, to whom the subject sent a telegram in Lieges, Belgium, for the purpose of determining whether this individual might be identical with ARTURO GONZALEZ MATA. (S)

The Madrid Office will continue to follow this matter here, and the Bureau will be advised. (S)(u)

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