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PERSONAL DATA

8 VECIANA, Blanch, Antonio Carlos

PERSONAL DATA

Born October 18, 1928, Habana, Cuba.

White.

Graduate of University of Habana School of Business Administration.

Little knowledge of English.

Employed at Cuban National Bank, 1956-7.

Employed as CFA and manager of Banco Financiero, loan company owned by Julio Loto, for four years.

Member of People's Revolutionary Movement (MRP), anti-Castro group in Cuba, 1950-1.

In exile in U. S. since 1961.

Founder of Alpha 66, anti-Castro exile group, and coordinator since 1962.

Married to Sira Quino.

PERSONAL DATA

Veciana is dark, of medium height, very thin, intense, active and nervous. He speaks rapidly.

Although associated with action groups, he himself is a specialist in fund-raising and organization for Alpha 66, which is really the financial section of the Second National Front of Exile, an action group. He was ordered restricted to Pade County by INS in 1965 for being connected with suspected exile hit-and-run activities.

Veciana claims to have liberal political views, but I doubt if he has any political philosophy at all. He likes his present role of traveling around organizing local chapters of Alpha 66, giving emotionally-charged speeches and putting on special events in order to raise funds. I would find it hard to see him in a political role of any more consequence than that.

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