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SOURCE: A former Cuban IS officer who served with the Cuban Intelligence Service until April 1964.

Headquarters Comment:

The following report is one of a series containing personality information provided by the source and includes supplemental information from the records of this Agency.

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1. Source identified a photograph of Rafael Francisco TAVERAS Rosario as being a Dominican and a member of the pre-CIA Aggregation Politica Calorosa de Jovenes (APCJ).

2. As a member of the APCJ, TAVERAS was originally sent to Cuba to secure a scholarship in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). (However, source judges that when this scholarship did not materialize, TAVERAS was placed in the guerrilla warfare training program instead.) Source believes that TAVERAS was still in Cuba at the time he left.

Headquarters Comment

1. Rafael Francisco ("Fafa") TAVERAS Rosario, who was born in about 1938, was elected secretary of publicity and propaganda in the APCJ Central Executive Committee in December 1962. He held that title when he left the Dominican Republic on 13 September 1963 for Mexico on a Spanish ship, en route to the Soviet Union.

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Union to study on a scholarship, traveling with Jaime DURAN Hernandez,
Hugo TOYOS Vargas, and Jorge Williams BOTELLO Fernandez,
08 APCI leaders. (See TSCS-3-558, 654). In early November 1963,
[a leader in the APCI] reported that TAVERAS, DURAN, TOYOS,
and BOTELLO were then in Moscow studying economics
(see CS-2 565, 960); however, in early December 1963 another
source reported that TAVERAS, DURAN, TOYOS, and BOTELLO
were then in Cuba and did not plan to go to the Soviet Union as they
were unable to obtain the scholarships either before they left for
Cuba or since they had been in Cuba. (See CS-2 568, 846). In
late October 1964, BOTELLO said that TAVERAS had been in
Cuba as a member of his training group which had seven months
of military training, and that he expected TAVERAS to return to
the Dominican Republic soon, using a false passport to enter the
country. (See TDCS-314-04551-64). On 12 December 1964, DURAN
said that TAVERAS returned to the Dominican Republic from Cuba
on or about 12 December 1964, probably using a false passport.
(See CS-311-00014-65).

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