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

<u>Headquarters Comments.</u> 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.

It is requested that the addressees take no action on any of the individuals mentioned in the personality reports without first checking with this Agency.

Source was shown a photograph of Jose Francisco LLAGOSTERA Garcia and identified him as a Cuban Diplomat stationed in Mexico. Although source does not know LLAGOSTERA personally, he recalls that Manuel VEGA made mention of him. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Headquarters Comments

1. In a report dated 14 January 1963, a group of Cuban emigres trained in the techniques of information collection and who have provided useful reports for two years, reported on personnel at the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. Included in this report was the name of one Jose LLAGOSTERA (matronymic unknown) who was described as a contracted employee who seemed to have a mission (sic), but appeared to be a gardner. Sources believed that the gardners are G-2 types, because so many gardners are unnecessary.

2. A usually reliable source in a report dated 13 June 1963, said that Jose LLAGOSTERA is returning to Cuba within a few days on leave. He is dissatisfied with the present situation in Mexico.

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3. A report dated 22 June 1963, included a list of Cuban Diplomatic personnel in Mexico. Francisco Jose LLAGOSTERA Garcia, nickname "Pancho," appeared on the list with the following biographic information:

Diplomatic or functional title was described as "Mayordomo," He was born about 1924. LLAGOSTERA arrived in Mexico on 11 May 1962 and carried passport number E/62/196. His wife, Marianela GONZALEZ Piloto, passport E/62/410, and his son, Jose L. LLAGOSTERA Gonzalez, passport number E/62/410, arrived in Mexico on 14 September 1962. The LLAGOSTERA's resided in the Cuban Embassy, 2nd floor. Mexico, D. F.

4. A source of paragraph 1 above (under Headquarters Comments), in a report dated 15 August 1963, stated that he had talked to Jose LLAGOSTERA Garcia, who had recently arrived in Mexico. LLAGOSTERA said his wife, Marianela GONZALEZ Piloto, was residing at Jovellar 159, Apartment 3, Habana. He also said that he had participated in the interrogation of the Playa Giron prisoners. LLAGOSTERA indicated that his current salary was only \$150.00 a month and said that he resided at the Cuban Embassy. His brother, name not mentioned, has resideded in the United States for the past eightcen years and in 1954 had obtained a United States residence permit for LLAGOSTERA. Source described LLAGOSTERA as having been born about 1917, being five feet six inches in height, 135 pounds and having a dark complexion, black hair, a moustache, and a pointed nose.

5. A usually reliable source was told by Francisco Jose LLAGOSTERA, an employee of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City, that Cubana Airlines is accepting no other cargo for shipment to Habana but food, medicine, and clothing. This was reported on 12 October 1963.

6. In a report dated 6 August 1964, from a Cuban exile with excellent contacts in the Antillean Marine Shipping Corporation, it was stated that Jose Francisco LLAGOSTERA Garcia is a suspected Cuban Intelligence staffer attached to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. As of March 1964 source believed that LLAGOSTERA was still employed at the Embassy. Source has known LLAGOSTERA for ten years.

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