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1. On 12 March 1962 Santiago CASAMAYOR Alonso (hereinafter referred to as the source), Alien Registration number A 12891749, born 25 July 30 Habana, was interviewed. His Miami address is 237 SW 1st Street, Apt. 15, telephone on which he can be reached 373- 9950.
2. Source said that he was a member of Unidad Revolucionario (UR) and that he was in touch with Pedro LOPEZ Penaranda, the general coordinator of the UR who is still inside Cuba. Before leaving Cuba LOPEZ told the arriving source that on arriving in the United States, he should try to make contact with either Earl Williamson or Frank Belsito as he, LOPEZ, had contact with both men in Cuba and had cooperated with them. LOPEZ told the source that he and the organization, the UR, needed plastic explosives and gerandez. He also said that the UR is collecting information which will be ready for transmittal on or about 20 March 62. This information includes diagrams of the Shell and Standard ~~refineries~~ refineries in Habana, a list of Cowrie and G- 2 members, and shipping information on all Cuban ports, showing the date the vessels arrive, date of departure, and the identity of the cargo.
3. The source said that LOPEZ can be reached in the following ways:
  - a. A mailing address is Pedro Lopez, Hijo, San Lazaro 871 Altos, entre Marina y Soledad, Habana. The telephone number is 781117. This is the home of LOPEZ' relatives, and that they can get in touch with LOPEZ quickly.
  - b. LOPEZ lives at Hotel Vista al Mar, Calle 12 y Primera, Apt. 22, Vedado. Anyone wishing to make personal contact should use the following phrase for bona fides, "I come on the part of ~~XXXX~~ CASAMAYOR".

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The telephone number for the Hotel Vista al Mar is 3-3076.

4. The source said that other methods to contact LOPEZ are as follows:

a. A Salvadoran diplomat, Jesus Valencia, is still living in Habana. His house on Malecon and "J" streets is under the protection of the Swiss, and a Swiss flag flies over the house, but it is unguarded, and people can enter and leave freely. LOPEZ and Valencia are in contact and the latter is willing to help in any way and has done so in the past. Valencia is also in contact with representatives of the Italian and French Embassies.

b. LOPEZ can be reached through Justo ZAYAS and Luis SANCHEZ, 2339 SW 17th Ave. Miami, telephone HI ~~MEEX~~ 40969 who use the ~~Imx~~ an American Airline as a ~~como~~ channel into and out of Cuba.

5. LOPEZ told the source that he has access to fishing boats which can be used to bring explosives into Cuba. He said that the boats are duly authorized fishing boats which have the necessary papers to fish in Cuban waters and return to their Cuban ports.

6. The source described LOPEZ as being 40- 44 years of age, short, wears ~~glasses~~ glasses, no moustache, and has brown hair, combed back. He works in the port of Habana, filling out and obtaining necessary custom forms, but because of Cuban government custom regulations, obviating the necessity for such work, he will soon be unemployed.

7. The source said that the UR and the 30 of November group are now working together inside Cuba. He said that during the first part of February 62 the UR ambushed a G- 2 car outside the Arenal theater in Habana, killing 2 G- 2 men and losing one UR man. He said that this type of operation, ambushing cars, appeals to the UR and for this reason LOPEZ is particularly desirous of obtaining hand grenades. He said they would like to ambush a Soviet or Satellite car, and raise terror among the Soviet and Satellite technicians in Cuba.

8. The source said that he is told that the UR has several small groups in the Sierra Escambray mountains, but that they fight only a running action. He said that Osvaldo RAMIREZ is in the Escambray also, but that he refused to join any group or movement and maintains his independence.

9. The source identified the following as G- 2 agents:

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a. Rolando de ARMAS Betancourt of Calle Lebrado 327, Guanabacoa.

He is an employee of G-2 and works in a bank in Habana located at the corner of Fabrica and Concha street.

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b. Remberto CANTO (Hernandez) a sergeant in the traffic police.

He lives in Reparto Santo Suarez, Habana. His brother was an Ambassador to Costa Rica during the time of Batista. Source knew CANTO in Caracas during the time of the Cuba Revolution, and that CANTO has since embraced Communism. Identified as communist & B-2 agent.

10. The source said that rationing cards exist in Habana, and said that separate ration cards were issued for various items. There is a card for meat, one for lard and butter, and another entitled "Varios" which was the card for toothpaste and items of this nature. He said that on the bottom of card there were spaces for the various months and on receiving the month's quota, the respective month was punched. The bearer of the card must also show that his rent for the month was paid before he can buy his ration. He explained that the reason these cards are rarely seen outside Cuba is the fact that it is issued to a household, and it is generally left behind to enable the ~~member~~ remaining members of the household to continue receiving their rations.

11. Source was a printer by trade said that P. Fernandez, a Habana printing firm, had at least ~~two~~ two locations which he knew of. One is on Obispo Street entre Mercaderes y San Ignacio; the other on Sanja entre San Francisco y Hospital. He estimated the former had 30 employees, and the latter 20. He said he hadn't passed by the former printing shop recently, but as to the latter, he said he has never seen any outside protection whenever he has passed it.

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12. The source said that he could not return to Cuba legally, he was too hot, he thought, but he would be able to cooperate in any way he could.

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