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Will, at the end of sixty days, unless advised sooner by INS, Miami, check with INS Investigator OTIS WOOD, INS, Miami, for status of the investigation being conducted by INS, looking toward revocation of subject's U. S. citizenship.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Miami is placing instant case in a pending inactive status for sixty days, since no leads remain outstanding.

No request for permission to examine subject using the Palygraph is being submitted at this time because:

- 1 Subject is in poor health and is waiting to enter the hospital for treatment; and,
- 2 INS has a case pending in which INS will attempt to prove that subject served in the Cuban Rebel Army during the period 1959-60, and did so voluntarily, thereby subjecting himself to loss of his United States citizenship.

This report is classified Confidential, since it contains information originating with CIA, which information was so classified (CIA report UFG 3907). (*)(u)

On March 2, 1964, HENRIETTA LORIE, CIA covert, Miami, advised that a check of CIA files fails to reveal that CIA has an operational interest in RODRIGUEZ, and that no information is available concerning him subsequent to CIA report UFG 3907.

Original interview of subject in connection with his association with the Junta of the Government of Cuba in

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investigations, advised that a former employee of a Cuban Ministry, who is now in the United States, and who is described by MM T-1 as reliable. furnished information which originated with a Cuban exile.

The information concerned activities about a group which was represented by PAULINO A. SIERRA. SIERRA was a Cuban exile opposed to the present government of FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, Cuban Premier. According to the source, the SIERRA group was gathering forces for operations against FIDEL CASTRO. SIERRA, in a meeting in Coral Gables, Florida, in September, 1963, said that American businessmen had offered money to help defray expenses of the group, but that no operations would be conducted from American soil

Among those at the meeting and associated with the group, was FELIPE RIVERO, who had been connected with the attempted invasion of Cuba in April, 1961, which operation was known as the "Bay of Pigs Invasion." At the meeting, CABANAS reportedly stated that SIERRA had named GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ, Also known as Captain LEON, to be the commander of the military forces of the SIERRA-associated group. RODRIGUEZ was described as a naturalized U. S. citizen, and as having been arrested by the CASTRO government and sentenced to a long term. He was freed in 1963 through the intervention of American lawyer JAMES B. DONOVAN.

On October 31, 1963, GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ FERNANDEZ, 620 N. W. 69th Street, Miami, Florida, furnished the following information to SA ROBERT JAMES DWYER: