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FROM:	EXTENSION	NO.
Patrick L. Carpentier Assistant Legislative Counsel	1133	MAR 8 2 30 PM '78
		DATE 8 March 1978

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)	DATE RECEIVED	DATE FORWARDED	OFFICER'S INITIALS
1. Mr. Shepanek O/SA/DO/O Tube: DX6-Green			[illegible]
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3. Russ Holmes			[illegible]
4. Bill Stubbs	9 Mar	13	[illegible]
5. Chris-COG		17 Mar 78	[illegible]
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COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)

Attached is the summary which Patricia Orr, HSCA, prepared. Could you please review them as soon as possible as she wants to take them out of the building. Please forward them back to OLC. Please advise me of any delays.

Please classify & eliminate some of crypts i.e. ODALID, etc.

Prosed Roger

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Pedro Diaz Lanz 201 I

* - 24 Oct 59 Routing & Record Sheet to Hunt rcvd 30/10 forwarded 2 Nov. of Diaz Lanz file.

- CIA Watch office 24 Oct 59.
into that plane ~~piloted~~ involving by Pedro Diaz Lanz to drop leaflets and prob bombs over Havana 24 Oct 59.

May fly 26 Oct 59 piloted by Lanz to disrupt Castro rally.

- Dispatch 23 Oct 59.
re leaflet.
attached sample of leaflets dropped from Diaz Lanz's plane 21 Oct 59

- Dispatch 18 Sept 59. to Chief WHD from Havana COS
re: operational [redacted] PDL group

Crypts: [redacted] PDL
[redacted]

Subj. said he had gone to Miami and talked w/ PDL [redacted]; who told him that he needed a man for his Miami organization, the person he had in mind was a captain in the Cuban Air Force who was willing to join him. He instructed the subject to see his Habana contact and arrange for officer's exfiltration. Subj. asked [redacted] PDL whether his Habana contact (Gebaide or Raynock) had this capability, and [redacted] DIAZ LANZ answered that they did. Station assumes that [redacted] DIAZ LANZ obtained his

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- exfiltration info from QDCHAR. Subj. also said that [QDBIAS] has [ODYOKE] contacts in Miami.

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- Doc. cross ref for [201-259120] (Lanz 201 file) re: Ricard Luis LORIA y Valle - ca. 1928, age 31, passport 09552 & Diaz Lanz age 32, passport 10693 left Costa Rica for Miami Fla on 24 Dec 58 and re-entered Costa Rica from Mexico on 31 Dec 58

(- Memo for record 7 Aug 59.
Re: Conversation approx One-wk prior betw. Eugene R. Gonzalez and Mr. Alfonso Moscoso, former amb. from Ecuador to US & ex brother-in- of former President Galo Plaza of Ecuador.

Moscoso told me in strict confidence that his good friend Ecuador. Amb to OAS (Escudero) claimed to have info and docum. proving Diaz Lan rcvd approx $100,000 from pro-Batista groups to defe & testify before U.S. Cong.

- Dispatch 7 Aug 59. To Chief WH Div from Miami [(Kairley)] Re: Meeting w/ [QDBIAS, QDCHAR, QDCOVE]

Outlined plans in meeting - Subjs will target groups which bear Batista taint. Suggest propaganda program Discussion of poss. aid; possible procedures - ie. transmitter on boat broadcasting from various positions in the Caribbean Sea.

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Re: turn over of Diaz to Kearney. Complications then set in - different versions of what passed betw. Gen Cabell and Gen. Swing; appearance of Eastland Committee rep.

- Article - Drew Pearson - Wash Post - 7-24-59 - "Defecting Cuban Chief Exploited.

- Memo for Record 15 July 1959
Re: Testimony of Diaz Lanz. (testified 14 July)
Prominent communists -
Fidel, Raul, Vilma Castro, Ernesto Guevara, Antonio Nunez, Armando Hart, Manuel Pineiro, Ramiro Valdez, Juan Pina, Juan Escalona, Juan Llanusa, Emilio Gomez Ochoa, David Salvador, Carlos Franqui, Gen. Alberto Bayo, Frank Torre.

- Sp. lang. article 17 Jul 59. "Verdadera Estatura Civica de Pedro Diaz Lanz

- CIA Memo of Conversation 10 July 59.
Re: Tel. conversation w/ Herbert Mace, Dir of Intelligence Bureau of Immigration. w/ T.J. Flores.

- Draft Memo for Record FLK (initialed).
8 July 59 Re: Diaz Lanz case.
Dupo revd from friend of Diaz' in Miami - name Byers to wit: Sergio Diaz & Carlos Echegoyan (former civilian in Cuban AF Dwell.), who had obtained boat in Miami which was used to bring Diaz from Cuba, had gone to see Byers immed. after their release by INS. They were accompanied by Frank Fiorini, aka

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Pedro Diaz Lanz DDO
citizen w/ reputation as shady businessman who lives in Miami.
They said Schroeder (INS) told Diaz he is to appear before Senate Sub Committee; would receive 100% US govt support in overthrowing Castro.
- Prior to Diaz' departure the Cuban Air Force purchased one C-46 and one B-25 aircraft in Miami area. Aircraft in Byers custody but in Fiorini's name. Fiorini (until 7 July) trying to get Byers to sell aircraft & turn $ over to him (Fiorini). On 8 July Fiorini asked Byers to hold C-46 for revolutionary plans & sell B-25. (Fiorini accompanied by Sergio Diaz on 8 Fe

- Discussion Paper - 7 July 59 Re Diaz - publicity o
· Diaz Lanz arrival.

- Cable from Dir to certain foreign L.A. Stations 2 July 59
-Requests max. press and radio exploitation of defection 20 June of Diaz Lanz, w/ recommendations on particulars of story.

- Dispatch 2 July 1959 to Chief WHD from COS Habana re Diaz Lanz - Misc - Enclosures - 2 copies of letter from Diaz Lanz to Cuban president.

- Cable 22 June 59. TO Dir from Havana
Re: departure of Diaz Lanz for U.S. Requesting [ODURGE] not divulge entry [PBPRIME] of pedro Diaz Lanz

- Cable 21 June 59 to Dir from Havana.
Re: Diaz Lanz departure - w/ help of Tim Boyer, American, Pres. Aerodex Corp using Boyer yacht. Lanz Requests no publicity.

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- Information Report 16 Jun 59
Re: Chief of Air Force's confidential statements about need for counter revolution against Castro.

Source: US businessman, operator of private consulting company. Also rep. for major US aircraft manufactr. Spoke at length w/ source regarding symptoms of Castro's communist tendencies.

- Cable 7 Jan 59 to Dir from Santiago de Cuba.
Re: 1. Fall Batista stunned Bayamo rebels.
2. Cuban Air force demobilized. Will be built up from scratch. former officers to be investigated for atrocities. many not responsible to be court-martialed. "Source Fiorini (F) from Diaz Lanz Chief Rebel Air Fr

- Cable 25 Nov. 58 to Dir from Mex. City. Uruapa Michoacan, Rept 3 tons Cuban rebel arms confiscated - 11 Cubans, 1 American captured — of Cubans — Pedro Ruiz Lanz (probably Diaz Lanz) and Amer = Frank Fiorini. Fiorini named co-pilot and owner plane C-46. Fiorini known as "Francisco" among Cubans.
Of interest absence name Ricardo de la Lorie

- Cable 22 Nov. 58
Rept Cuban rebels and Amer. w/ C-46 captured at Apatzingan Airport Michoacan. Captured (partial list) Diaz Lanz, Frank Fiorini.

- Cable 14 Nov 58
Rept Richarda de la Lorie - brought air plane phoenix Ariz., scheduled for departure 12 or 13 Nov for Veracruz Mex. enroute Venezuela. Diaz Lanz will prob. accompa de la Lorie.

- Cable 11 Nov 58 & Diaz Lanz
Ricardo de la Lorie in San Francisco. Fiorini left Mex

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for Prisco by car car night 4 Nov. meet pilots. De la Lorie and Diaz going Ariz. but expect return Governor Hotel - Poss. Kingman, Ariz re: plane

- Cable 2 Nov 58 to Dir from Mex City. Man trav. w/ subjs identified as Frank Fiorini Men prob. Pedro Luiz Diaz Lanz and Ricardo de la Lorie, poss. going Venezuela.

- Cable 30 Oct 58 to Dir from Mex City. Ric. de la Lorie and Diaz Lanz arr. Mex Cit by Car 27 Oct 58. Believed had visa trouble at border. Unidentified man accompanied them

- Cable 14 Aug 58 to Dir from San Juan. Jamaica police questioned Figuero 14 Aug seeking identity addresses. 5 Aug. Figuero contacted by Diaz Lanz, pilot of Beechcraft plane N-48-Q, who visits Kingston often and believed by Jamaica police to be Fidel Castro courier or pilot. Figuero said Diaz only brought personal greetings -

- 201 file request To RI/Analysis section 5 Jun 1959. non sensitive

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- News articles -
Argosy April 1976
NY Daily News - 21 April 1975 by Paul Meskil.

- Dispatch to Chief from Chief DELETED - GET FULL COPY
Progress Rept 1-31 Aug 63 -

W/ help of Fiorini - able to keep informed of activities of Diaz Lanz bros. in attempts to mount air raids over Cuba. Information then passed to local security agencies in time for them to thwart plans.

- Daily Summary - 1 Aug 63
Flight of 28 July over Havana aborted - bomb & leaflet raid planned.

Plans:
Postponed to 31 July or 1 Aug. Fiorini to head for Marathon Keys - as decoy for FBI surveillance

Lanz bros to leave cars at home to appear as though they are home, but will attempt to reach their Williams Ranch where plane to be used for raid is located. Fiorini said plane will carry several bombs made from 100 lb practice bombs cut down to smaller size and filled w/ nuts and bolts for shrapnel

Ramon Garcia + former Cuban airlines pilot to have participated in raid.

- 8 May 63 - Fiorini told source he had been approached by Barcos to patch up differences and cooperate in "anti-Castro activity". Said

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money from Cuban in Wash who had helped before! Only told that ~~info~~ operation would be air strike - Pedro would be pilot. Sent plane thru indirect channels. Sanz bros. assisting in sale of yacht.

"Fiorini had been working w/ The bros. until a falling out. Union is now evidently being repaired."

- Memo - re: Robt Swanner, Robt Thompson - Rpts allegedly shot down over Cuba in Dec. 1961.
20 Mar 63 - Memo to S.J. Grogan, asst to Director.
- investigation by U.S. Auth. hampered by stories - but - appears Wm Johnson, Swanner, Fiorini made 21 Oct 61 overflight - Camaguey for leaflet drop. Rorke claims he went as observer.

8 Dec. Swanner intercepted in Nassau. Met in Nassau by Johnson, Rorke, Fiorini. Tried to get permit to fly to Great Exuma Island, but permit denied, plane impounded.
10 Dec. leaflets found on Norman Cay.
14 Dec. Thompson flew to Ft Lauderdale to pick up Johnson. At some point Johnson left group, and Fiorini, Swanner & Thompson flew to Andros Island.
17 Dec. Thompson and plane Conned by J. Davis Finger) ~~reported~~ missing.
18 Dec. Rorke, Fiorini, Johnson charter plane in Miami for trip to Bimini and Cay Sal.
Rorke id'd self as CBS photographer looking for photos of pink flamingos. Plane flew criss-cross pattern over Cay Sal and returned to Miami.
NO info re whereabouts of Thompson, Swanner and plane until Mar 63 - Story plane shot down over Cuba.

Johnson, Fiorini, Rorke claim CIA sponsorship — In fact have had none. Sponsor appears to be Sergio Rojas Santamarina - possibly over-zealous - some of his activities had been CIA sponsor

March 62 Raymond J. Dwyer rep.ing Finger poss. litigation ag. insurer of aircraft. Approache CIA re: poss. gov't involvement - which was denied. No indication from Castro's speeches as to what happened.

No agency info on other "elements of incident as repts" in references, including:

- Mrs. Swanner's story of having driven Swanner, Johnson, Fiorini to Ft Lauderdale to load boat w/ leaflets.
- $500.00 check reptdly given to Mrs. Swanner & Mrs. Thompson by Fiorini.
- Mrs. Swanner's reptd trip to Andros Island w/ her son and friend of her husband.
- Mysterious phone calls to Mrs. Swanner, Mrs. Thompson & Others.
- Role of Gene Asbury and Norman Gratsky (Gradsky?)

Ref. to Martino - prob. John Vincent Martino. Sentenced to 3 yrs prison in 59; released Oct. 62 — not Dec as reptd. Was not, & not empld by CIA.

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- 12/9/60 Cable to Director fr. WAVE
Hamilton impressed w/ mans sincerity & potential (QDBIAS) QDBIAS enthusiastic over TCF trip but wanted very careful preparation in order to avoid any poss. fail. Suggested ample advance publicity order condition host governments to granting necessary visas and landing permits.

QD Bias speeding up work on A/C which can be ready 0/A 15 Dec. Plane can accomodate number named WAVE 2051

C/S comments HQS approved planning

Diaz Lanz propaganda "Flight of truth" as proposed HQS by [TWICKER]

- 12/8/60 Cable to Dir fr WAVE

Carlos Oscar Echeverry Leon plans expose in leading magazine re: [KUBARK] (State Dept?) will say - KUBARK backing AMIRON (Ray or MRR) w/ funds & equipment. AMIRON leftist & Communist dominated group and "Fidelistas sin Fidel". [KUBARK] gives AMIRON half million per month cover operating costs. Reveal number plane

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furnished [AMIRON] by [KUBARK] and location. ~~Revea~~

- will reveal training sites Guat, [PBPRIME] personnel working w/ [AMDIP 1] and [AMIRON] plans for invasion Cuba.

Varona AMDIP 1

- Expose [AMDIP 1] for buying off [KUBARK] personnel wash.
- Claims discussed above &. 5 NOV 62 invasion plans [AMIRON] from Guat. w/ Sourwine, late OCT 62.

Two men from [KUBARK] assured Echegoyen funds would be w/held from support [AMIRON]. Capable carrying out threat

~~once~~ close Diaz Lanz, but now distrusts him.

Could attempt discredit Echegoyen

— 6 Dec 60 cable To Dir from GOLD ?

recommend candidates for certain fields -

Lawyer - Enrique Llaca

Student - Jose Ignacio Rasco

Soldier - Manuel Artime

Professor - Oscar de la Vega

Cathol. actic: Enrique Ros.

GOLD - Sounding out opinion/desirability of including Diaz Lanz specifically

- 6 Dec 60 Cable re JMGOLD Havana to Dir.

Rodriguez Tamayo "El Mexicano" offering G-2 info re Diaz Lanz group. Report would put subjects in prison, claims Tamayo. Claims female friend Diaz Lanz working Miami airport also G-2 agent.

- Suggest Diaz Lanz be cautioned re our doubts loyalty his immed. friends.

- ~~Dispatch~~ 29 Nov 60 to Chief WH div fr. Chief OS, Havana.

excerpts

- Conversation betw. Varona & State 29 Nov 60 Varona says of Lanz - "a young man, somewhat impetuous, who is now working with us.

- 28 Nov 60 Cable to JMASH From DIR.

"1. Disapprove para 3 & 7 ref. HQS does not desire additional Cuban pilots & does not wish give Diaz Lanz and Company false impression by instituting own limited training program.

2. AMVANG-2 advised HQS he passed

Lanz
US $5000 obtained from private sources to repair B-25. Further states aircraft repd & Lanz intends make leaflet drop on or about 30 NOV. Possible KUBARK funds passed AMVANG-2 for prop use now being diverted repair aircraft.

3. HQS policy re no ODYOKE sponsored overflight from BPPRIME still stands. MASH requested take immed. steps. to stop flight. If cannot accomplish this by persuasion notify local auth. poss. such a flt to enable them impound aircraft. Essential avoid poss. such indep. air ops jeopardize own air ops including use Opa Locka.

4. Realize Lanz may be polit. asset. If so can best be used that purpose w/in AMRASP.

WH comment: Tucker states Lanz requests funds to repair personally owned B-25 at cost of US $5,000. Also wants US $2,240 to give link training to 9 pilots for 3 mos.

- Cable 24 NOV 60 to Dir fr [JMASH]

1- Diaz Lanz joined [AMRASP] bringing pilots: Abel Hera Cotton, Frank Fiorini; Francisco Llano, Evangelista Mursuli; Ramon P. Fuentes, Nestor Alvarez, Fernando Garcia. Marcos Diaz Lanz also joined.

2 Shortly after joining [AMRASP], Diaz suggested to [AMHAWK] est. of spec. mission group comprising above personnel, all of whom, according to Diaz are qualified as A/C mechanics. The group would drop [AMRASP] leaflets on cities, small towns & cooperatives & could fly cargo missions when required.

3. To prepare themselves for standby readiness Diaz has requested [AMHAWK (& AMHAWK has queried [TWICHER]) for funds to: (A) rehab the personally-owned B-25 A/C of Diaz at cost of approx. DLS $5000. (B) Provide pilots w/ Link trainer time (8 pilots at 10hrs. monthly, at cost of DLs 8 per hour) and (C) consider purchase

of float equipped Cessna 180 s/or 210 for infil/exfil ops.

4. Diaz is proceeding w/ B-25 rehab. via loan $2,500 from Miguel Angel Quevedo, for which, according [AMCHIRP-1], he will air drop Bohemia over Cuba.

5. While realize present policy precludes US-based flights, desire at minimum maintain flight proficiency this integrated group whose current & future activities could be monitored & directed by the newly-established joint Cuban/Amer. ops section of the mil. commission. Beyond being a pilot, Diaz Lanz exudes a certain mystique which the press has been quick to recog. Thus he is a current propaganda & polit. asset as well as a potential milit. asset.

6. [AMHAWK] commented somewhat cynically that Diaz Lanz joined [AMRASP] primarily to solve his econ. probs. However [TWICKER] believes Diaz highly motivated & recognizes

AMRASP as mainstream anti-Castro org. Temp. solution has been to assign Diaz group to transport commission, which now functions under MIL commission, but funds are not currently budgeted for link trainer time.

7. Request HQs approve initial link trainer refresher of DLS 960, 15 hrs. each pilot, then monthly cost of DLS 640. Not likely training to extend beyond 3 mos.

8. Feel political advantages keeping Diaz satisfied and cooperative well worth above relatively minor expenditure.

- Document transfer & cross-ref. 27 Sep-60 Diaz Lanz made offer of assist by Subj. of 201-829376

- 12 Oct 60 cable to Dir fr. London Re: developments in FRD
  - Dr. Sanchez Arango has left FRD following a disagreement w/ other leaders. He is now joining forces w/ groups led by Diaz Lanz, Conte Agüero & others.
  - Varona appt'd coord. of FRD - in spite opp. Justo Carillo.
  - Rpt Developments re: fighting in Cuba -

- Memo for record re: Rept meeting w/ Sergio Rojas. ~~Re:~~ ~~27 Sept 60~~
By: Bernard E. Reichhardt
in trash 27 Sept.

Spoke to Rojas before planned to departure to Miami to see Ricardo Lorie, in an effort to give other side than anti-FRD. Rojas relatively objective but on balance favored view of young revolutionaries of Alianza de liberacion. Analyzed situation of MRR accurately & AMBIDDY-1 became rep in FRD for MRR, then represented only own views to exclusion of MRR interests. Lamented that number of young men i.e. Chilca, Diaz Lanz, Nino Diaz (Benson, Rojas unaware Nino Diaz's mission) wasted by not being put to use. ~~by~~ as result of differences betw. young revol. & FRD "Los viejos" Politicos in FRD too far to right. Asked if US might lend support to more than one group. Was told U.S. not supporting any group. Asked if military types & perhaps Alianza could be given support. Rojas strong-feeling unity w/ FRD and young revol. not poss. This time - Too much anti-FRD sentiment. Felt politicos of FRD self-seeking. Young revol. suffering bitterness,

disillusionment.

R. Suggested ~~participation~~ meeting with FRD - Members but not 5 principals. Counter-suggestion made Rojas suggest friends, eg. Conte Aguero, Lovie to approach FRD again.

- Memo 19 Sept 60 for: C/WH/4/C1 fro Gerard Drocker.
  Re: Request for FBI check
  (NOTE: Ans. to check on Moya in Panegue's file)

  Alianza people repted in town - Diaz Lanz, Conte Aguero, Panegue ("Diego"), Hyginio "Nino" Diaz. - could be reached at address of Mrs. Anna Moya. Indicates. Rcvd info that Panegue may be Castro plant. Suggest Bureau check on horse and Mrs. Moya, as well as furnish info on Panegue and/or his activities in U.S.

  Panegue's NY address: San Rafael Hotel, 65 W. 45th St, Rm 1E Tel. JAZ-4800

- Memo for: C/WH/4/PA 12 SEPT 60
  fr: WH/4/EO - John F. Hallard.
  Re: Cubans desirous of meeting w/ State Dept Reps.

  Senor Chinea, Panegue, Diaz Lanz, Conte Aguero desire meeting. Indicates St. Dept. personnel have no desire to see Cubans. Author indicates desire give Cubans cold shoulder.

no encouragement - cannot operate independently w/ any type of US support or assistance.

- cable 6 SEP 60 to Dir from MASH. .. Mexi Cit Indicates "CRISIS" in military staff - relations AMEER & Balance AMCIGAR. Lines of auth. & resp. MASH committees badly snarled view recent insistence AMEER his perogative as AMCIGAR member

General ill feeling & distrust senior AMRASPERS toward AMEER also applies "his boys". In military field these include Oscar Diaz (ground), Orlando Garcia (recruiting), and Felipe Vidal Santiago (naval.

Most immed. issue - Pedro Diaz Lanz who walked in recruiting ofc last wk august & volunteered to join AMRASP pilot group as an individual. Milit. agreed Diaz Lanz fine pilot, joining AMRASP "political plum" Since he founding member competing "Aliaza". Nobregas and Villafana only lukewarm. At juncture AMEER stepped in, ordered MILCOM accept Diaz Lanz, succeeded putting all senior mil. staff members in oppos. Issue still unresolved. Sr ~~[illegible]~~ military

AMRASPERS agree meeting absolute necessity to revalidate their positions vis à vis AMCIGAR as body & particularly their positions in respect individual AMCIGAR members (AMCIGAR & AMHAWK.

- Cable Aug 26, 60 to Dir from Havana.
Partially Re: Armando Lora Hernandez - Nino man.
He was close to Raul Chibas; maintains contact with Diaz Lanz. Org. resistance in Cuba. Regrets assistance.

- Cable Aug 17 60 to Dir from Havana.
Dissension in AMYUM-1 group more extensive than financial troubles. Lorie/AMPIDOR split caused serious internal repercussions in terms AMYUM-1 group receiving via their channels from MASH that ODYOKE now supporting Lorie, Nino Diaz, Diaz Lanz.

- PRD Form - Control de Personal - Pedro Luis Diaz Lanz

- Memo for Chief WHD Re Rex Rourke (Sic), Jr. 6 Jul 60 Fr. J.D. Esterline
In interview of Rorke w/ rep. of OO/C in NYC, Rorke said Diaz Lanz most deserving of U.S. support. Knows Diaz Lanz; planning to

appear on T.V. program NYC 5 July.
Said Somoza have agreed to give Diaz Lanz mil. base in Nicara. Will call it Committee to Rescue L. Amer. from Communism or similar. Rorke Claims Spruille Braden tentatively agreed to support committee.

- Cable 28 June 1960 to [MASH] fr. Dir.
  Pedro Diaz Lanz not connected FRD in any way Kathley will brief. WH Comment: concerned surfacing in Costa Rica of org. headed by PDL
- Office Memo - 24 Je 60 to Chief WH/FI Division
  ATTN. [Bob Reynolds]; From: Chief Contact Division, [OO (L/A Branch)]
  Re: Pedro Diaz Lanz.
  From [E. M. Ashcraft - signed by Harry A. ~~McCraw~~ McCraw.]

In interview, requested by Lanz to ask "what people think & should do"; expressed desire to work to overthrow Castro. Not very enthusiastic about anti-Castro Frente org. in Mexico City. Reservations about trustworthiness of Artime

- Message to the People of Cuba & Brothers of America of the Cuban Constitutional Crusade. Signed 6/16/60 by PDL,

Cmdr Abel Hera Corton; Capt Rabel J.M. Gonzalez.

- Cable 18 June 60 to Dir fr: WASH
18 June Diario Las Americas carries ad surfacing group called Cruzada Cubana Constitucional signed by PDL, Corton, Gonzalez.

Cable indicates concern for need of controlled & coordinated propaganda effort. Avoid premature releases.

- Dispatch 12 Jan 60
Chief WH Div, from Miami WHD Rep.
Re: Contact w/ QDBIAS 10 JAN 60
by Patrick I. Kanley
Indicates bitter feud betw. QDBIAS & QDCOVE
Also QDCOVE assaulted QDCHAR.

Discussed QDCHAR's recent trip to Guat. QDBIAS aware but personally opposed ~~[illegible]~~ since QDCHAR took along Sergio Bruell and Fiorini. INS took Fiorini's passport when he re-entered the US. Apparently they are "prepared to throw the book at Fiorini." Fiorini in real danger of losing

his citizenship
(notes INS also taking action ag. Masferrers)

Indicates QDCHAR has ideas of his own, and QDBIAS does not try to stand in his way.

- 7 Jul 60 to Dir fr: MASH - Cable
PDL about to initiate fund-raising campaign for group.

Suggests raise w/ YDIGORAS
obvious probs arising out of premature support anti Castro movement generally, PDL specifically

WH Comment. Ref indicates Diaz-Lanz preparing launch offensive against Castro from Guatemala

- 13 May 60 Cable to Dir from: ~~MASH~~ Havana.
Repts - PDL plans to land well-prepared force 70-100 Cubans. ASAP - poss. end of May

- 13 May 60 Cable to Dir: fr. Havana
Rept MRR broke contact w/ MAR due discovery it heavily penetrated.
NOTE: ref: cable stated Dr. Santiago Rey Perna reptd 6 May group of Cubans

undergoing guerilla warfare training Miami area under command Diaz Lanz.

- Cable May 2 60 to Dir fr: Miami
  Action: WHS (Mr. Phillips, WH Div notified 2035, 11 May 60)

  Summary activities PDL indicating action imminent.

  Rept meeting - discussion betw. Allegro, Piedra, Paget re: support for PDL - U.S. $50,000 mentioned as goal. Not known whether funds handed over to PDL two. Rptd funds obtained.

  Rept - force - perhaps 100 men, formed by PDL under supervision Frorini - PDL in possession considerable funds - some portion $50 grand since much equipment issued to men being given field training outskirts Miami by Frorini - men vaccinated. Have 2 boats, 2 aircraft at their disposal. Believed DL contemplating move directly from PLA to Cuba. Guat mentioned - staging base for expedition.

  Contacted FBI Border Patrol re: developments. They will contact ~~Frorini~~ PDL under

circumstances do not intend to contact PDL myself.

Suggests close attention both psychol. & polit. implications of such expedit. moves by PDL. Question raised whether some action should be taken to "submarine" D-L's plans. - on premise "welltest'd D-L thoroughly discredited both in Cuba & w/ more resp. exile elements & has consistently provided "effective peg from Castro Govt propaganda". & effect move by DL at this time might have on JMARC planning & timing. Also, Implications of poss. accomodation w/ Guat. Govt on PDL need careful consideration.

"In light of poss. harmful results of PDL venture, may wish consider proposing coordinated action by U.S. Govt to frustrate this before it gets off the ground."

- News article Miami Herald 10 April 1960 "Is Castro's Time Run Out?

from J.C. King

- Memo for DCI via DDP 30 March 60 Re: CIA involvement in case of Marcos Diaz Lanz, former Deputy Director of Fr

Cuban Revol. Air Force and Applicant for U.S. permanent resident visa.

June 59 PDL resigned - as chief of Cub. Rev. AF, fled to US. Marcos went into hiding. Havana Asked for help to U.S. Exfiltrated him ~~via~~/shipping line Arr. Tampa, Fla 27 July 59. Deprieted in Tampa & Miami. Presented himself at INS ofc., Miami, requesting asylum which was granted.

Wife & children left Cuba w/CIA assist. Aug 59 for Mexico, then joined MDL on 24 Sept 59.

MDL left US via New Orleans for Mex City to obtain US resident visa to permit him to go into business in order to earn living. INS wouldn't allow him to return. ~~Hold~~ ~~Rept~~ Indicates rebuttal ~~that~~ for comment from Gen Swing That CIA said MDL intends to continue warlike tactics ~~if he~~ is able to return to the U.S.".

- Cable 26 March 60 to: Dir from Miami - See PDL as forlorn, bewildered, outcast, HAVA 3740 Excommunicated by ODCOVE for involving self w/ Batistianos. ~~Would~~ Did sign Cajigas/Pedraza "unity" pledges but was clearly

in middle that circus, finally kissed off by Pedraza as little boy playing man's game. ODCOVE feeling sorry for old friend has told PDL he could still be of use to them if willing take orders avoid publicity. Believe PDL constitutionally incapable of latter. Believe inclusion of PDL, would be somewhat menace.

- Memo for the record 21 Feb 60
  Re: Telephone report from Miami on Activities of Francisco Cajigas

Indicates PDL conferring w/ Cajigas, who is planning meeting in Managua Nicaragua w/ ~~Tachito~~ Somoza

- Dispatch to Chief WH Div fr: Miami WHD Rep. 17 Feb 60. Re: Summary of current QDBIAS activities. Written by Patrick Karnley.
  meeting 18 Jan 60 - QDBIAZ visited Nicaragua Emb w/ Marquez-Sterling in Wash re: assistance of Nicaragua for military expedition against Castro

Having difficulty w/ INS re passport Distressed by attitude of ODENVY who reminded him they could arrest him at any time

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Author talked to [redacted] re: This matter

[redacted] rejecting scheme to meet Somoza as arranged by Luis Arenas.

Discussion w/ [redacted] re: Cruzada Constitucional Cubana (CCC), [redacted] one-man crusade- not intended to be organization

[Karnley characterizing PDL as very naive, "a babe in the woods" in these matters ~~Publicity~~ hurting him; but "by no means a total loss".]

- Dispatch 2 Feb 60

TO WHD Rep Miami, Havana, Caracas
FR: Chief WHD signed - Oliver G. Gale
RE: Meeting of F. Castro w/ Gustavo Machado in Caracas as rptd by PDL.

Requests interview of PDL by [redacted] "in most minute detail" concerning his knowledge of contacts ~~by~~ betw Machado and Castro as rptd in Parade, Wash Post 3 Jan 60.

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- Dispatch 18 Jan 60
  TO: Chief WH Div
  FROM: Miami WHD Rep.
  Re: Rept of contact w/ QDBIAS 18 Jan 60
  Author - Patrick Kamley

  Info re: meetings betw Nunez Portuondo and PDL re: whether or not Portuondo willing to lend support to military operation led by QDBIAS w/out political commitment to Nunez Portuondo for future.

  PDL discussions re: est. non-profit org to raise funds for activities.
  Note: Celotio, who who would be involved, told AMBOAR about scheme, but used name Kleburg, suggesting combine of KLEBORG-LYKES-STANDARD OIL was somehow getting read into this group.)

- Dispatch 12 Jan 60
  To Chief WH Div
  Fr Miami WH Rep - signed Kamley
  Re: Contact w/ QDBIAS 10 Jan 60.
  Among items:
  - PDL considering forming military unit to infiltrate Cuba for action ag. Govt.
  - Dispute betw PDL, QDCOVE, QDCHAR grew

bael.
PDL had protected PD CHARD recent trip to Guatemala w/ Sergio Bruell and Fiorini. Fiorini - question whether he will be admitted back to U.S. ODENVY ready to "throw the book" at him.

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VOL III

"Political Action File
(Jan 1961—)

— Memo for Ofc Legis. Counsel · 11 NOV 77
Fr: Raymond A. Warren, Chief LA. Div
Re: Allegation by Senior Cuban diplomat concerning role of Cuban exiles in the assass. of Pres. Kennedy.

- no further info to supplement this info. May have been referring to either Pedro or Marcos—
Notes assoc. w/ Smiths; article of 20 Sept. 77 re: Lorenz allegations.

— Memo for Ofc LC 3 NOV 77
From Chief LA Div
Re: same as above.
Reps - fairly reliable source said senior

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Cuban diplomat stationed abroad, made charges in late Sep 77 to his colleagues that Cuban exiles such as former Cub. Air Force officer Diaz Lanz (thus) & others had been involved in assass.

Division believes basis for statement presumably article of 20 Sep 77 in N.Y. - Lorenz allegations

- DO Document extract - 63 8 NOV 77
  June 63 Marcos DL invited Frank Fiorini to join raid against Cuba 15 Jun using trooppy owned by him & subj. Others on raid Carlos ~~of~~ Garcia, Salvador Garcia O/lr of UR.

- INS form Dept of Justice - 9/8/71
  DOB 11/8/26 Alien Reg # A 10 176 -250
  SS# 261-54-2581, Havana Cuba.
  SPOUSE: Carnet Izaguirre, Tania. DOM 1-22-59.

- Doc. transfer - X ref - 17 JAN 69
  Former head Cuban revol. AF interested making trip Cuba to sink Russian ship.
- Doc Xfer - X ref 26 Jan 64
  Reptly working w/ Felipe Vidal Santiago

on projected raid on Cuba which was to originate from Miami area.

- Memo to Dir. FBI ATTN [S.J. Papich] 17 JAN 64
FR: DDP.
Re: Accusations made by PDL.

- Rep from this agency rcvd info 11 NOV 63 from untested source concerning meeting of FORDC in NYC on 3 NOV. 63 during which PDL made following impromptu remarks:

- Claimed state Dept asked him to work w/them on condition he make no pub. statements accusing Castro of being communist.
Offered post of chief of AF in Guat. by Frank Bender, but refused.
Bender Thom offered mayorship of Marianao

Mayoralty

- Accused Kennedy of being Communist
- Artime ~~of~~ being Communist.
- Said Cubans had fight alone - JFK admin would not help. Said If the US govt were to give one rifle to the exiles, the exiles would be wise to make sure it did not fire back thru the stock instead of thru the barrel.

- Original dispatch of above -
  with cryptos -
  to Chief - Spec. Affairs Staff
  fr: COS JMWAVE

  [has handwritten note - For the record
  Bender never met Lanz, who was
  handled by the PM section of the
  project at that time -
  10/1/64
  Signed
  (Broller? WH Div)
  Same mark

- Doc X fer & X-Ref - 31 Jul 63
  PDL involved in abortive attempt in air
  strike & leaflet raid on Habana, Cuba
  squelched by ODENVY.

- Doc X fer & X ref 12 June 63
  re June 9, 63 Marcos DL. invited Borini to
  join raid ag. Cuba to take place weekend 15
  June, using trippy owned by Pedro &
  Marcos. Others join: Carlos Garcia &
  Salvador Garcia Oler -, a DR officer

- Trace Request 16 Apr. 63 for PDL
  re "Subject is dropped w/out prejudice.

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- Doc Xfer & X Ref 25 Mar 63
  Diaz owns 2 P.T. boats in Miami area -
  Re: rental by subj. of 35 ft speed
  boat to anti-Castro grp.

- Doc Xfer & X Ref . 23 Feb 62
  Subject: Movimento Recuperacion Revolucionario
  de Cuba. MRRC.

  Diaz Lanz came to Miami office w/ 2
  companions, Reinaldo Cruz y Blanco -
  "SIMON" - . Mbr of MRRC
  Recently acquired 4 boats from Hampton
  Roads Salvage Co. of Tallahassee. .
  [Other companion not id'd.]

- Cable 11 Feb 61
  to: BELL
  From: WAVE
  note: not Oscar
  Re: info that Lt Col "Oscar Diaz, Chief
  Pers of MILCOM conspired to slow up
  recruiting - discredit recruiting team.
  found Diaz manipulating records &
  was sabotaging behind MILCOM and
  PBPRIMERS back.
  WAVE Comment:
  Evidence turned up confirmed intrigue by
  Diaz

- Doc Xfer & X ref 05 Oct 62
  Re: Anti-Castro Activities.
  Info:
  PDL spoke at meeting held at Bayfront Park 9/29/62 - told Cubans idea of recruiting Cubans "dreamed up" by U.S. to keep fooling the Cubans. Claimed Cubans had been tricked because they did not understand what was going on.

- Trace request 30 Apr. 62
  After discussion betw. a rep. of this Agency & the Dept of Army on 28 May 62, the Dept of Army has agreed, in view of info contained in our Agency files, to drop interest in Subj.

- Biography PDL.
  Revol. activities begun in 52 when he started running rifles into Cuba for Prio. '53 exiled in Miami until '55, and started ferrying arms for Castro. 58 appt'd chief of 26 July AF, held until defection Je 59. Leaflet drop Oct 59.

  Not known to belong in any polit. party. Formed own movement - CCC but was unsuccessful in obtaining support; considered by FRD

& other moderately liberal groups as including some ex-Batista army officers. Reptd in April 1960 Diaz had commited CCC & self to group headed by Marquez. ~~Sharing~~. However, subsequently CCC merged w/ Asiaza de Liberacion - amalgamation of several younge groups of Cuban exiles. Although considered somewhat of an "hothead", does have considerable stature as former Chief of AF and recently he & some of his followers accepted into FRD.

Currently - Member FRD.

Endorsed by - Mr. Braden, Mr. Colligan of Freeport Sulphur.

- Memo for: WH/4/Finance 5 Jan. 62
Re: Overdue Accts.
Pedro Diaz Lanz - $400 passed on 19 Jan 61 as expense money for a prop tour taken w/ his Conte Agnero & others. Plan called for use of Diaz Lanz's plane piloted by him. Plan changed found too difficult to get necessary permits for plane. Finally Conte went alone when PDL balked at being Conte's shadow. Meantime, Diaz Lanz dabbling in politics, appeared before Senate Committee and succeeded in making himself useless as a

Contemp. 49633
Locke (701) 278-4400 ext. 617
Bloom - need the skis
Alsbrook Alters
Alsbrook 697-3950
Jan Mortley ofc 704 377 200
537 0861
check in budget ofc -

propaganda asset.
signed - Stannard Short

- Cable to JMWAVE from Dir. 6 July 61.
request JMWAVE review requirements for use Pedro Diaz Lanz in boat ops. Feeling here he indiscreet and would compromise mission. DOA not initiated.

- Aldo vera note - iden w/ Mjr Aldo Serafin vera.
former underground leader against Batista -
Held following positions w/ Castro govt.
- Head of Dept of Invest. of Cuban Rev. Police
- Cuban Army G-3 Section
- Chief of G-5 of Cuban Army
- 29 Apr 60 reptd as one of officers in charge of caching arms in various intervened houses in Havana.
- 2 Jun 60 reptd replaced as Insp. General of Cuban Revolu. Army; not named to another post.
- 21 Sep 60 reptdly trying to est. contact w/ oppos. grps, but in reality a govt agent

- Dispatch - To Chief WHD FR - Chief of Base, JMWAVE
Re: "17th of April" Movement
Organization to be presided over by

"military junta" - not one leader only. w/ both members of Rebel army and Batista Army

Diaz Lanz does not hold a steady position because he considers himself a "leader" rather than a "soldier"

Believe info on secret meeting of group leaked to Cuban govt by Aldo Vera.

- Intell. Rept 14 Jul 61 Re: Cuban counter-revolu. Base

Rept - 250 free Cuban troops & 7 aircraft based on Isla de Mujeres off shore of Quitana Roo Province, Mexico. Plan military expedit. - included:

PDL

Felipe Vidal

Teniente (FNU) Chinea

- Dispatch 31 May 61 TO Chief WHD From Chief of Base JMWAVE

re: Fuerzas Aereas de Liberacion (FAL)

All pilots & members of Air Force who were in camps had a meeting during which ARCCATTER 5 spoke & said they had to hold an election to appoint chief of AF & later to present it to AMBUD-1.

Arguments ensued. Capt Perez did

not agree w/ this type election. Left meeting w/ grp of men.

Villafana, Ferrer also spoke. More than half persons left

[AMCLATTER-5] elected as Chief.

[First election had given votes to Diaz Lanz, [AMCLATTER-5] and others. PDL repeatedly tried to take over. Caused resistance. Felt they shouldn't have allowed PDL pilots to vote in 1st place — called for 2nd election. Held May 24]

FAL members loyal to [AMBUD-1]

- Cable 23 May 61 to BELL from: [JMTIDE] Info — author met numerous Cubans in Miami — apparently pilots. Expressed interest in returning w/ author to [JMTIDE] to "stay proficient in flying." PDL apparently creating disturbance "by trying to take over." Good stable group of men. "The hard core will remain together as the same unit and will be and are ready if needed."

- Dispatch 8 May 61 to Chief WHD from Chief of Base JMWAVE
  Meeting of Cubans in Bayfront Park, Miami
  Author - Stanley R. Zamka
  - 6 May 61 - Meeting in Bayfront Park organized by PDL et al. involved w/ "Cuban affair" to attack North American, Manuel Artime

- Cable 1 May 61
  TO Bell from JMWAVE -

  7 individuals of Diaz Lanz grp being paid total of $1500 mo. by AMIRON
  Grp not active & some have not picked up April paychecks.

  Request authority drop group from AMIRON rolls effective 1 May 61 at discretion WAVE

- Memo for AMDIP/A 28 April 61
  Re: conversation w/ Mr Joseph Newman, NY Herald Tribune
  Rept'd 27 April 61
  Author: Howard Hunt

  Discussed JMATE Matters -

" To separate fact from fiction on an off the record basis."

Discussed several areas:

Ricardo Lorie - PDL -

These men alleged CIA had given insufficient support to Lorie's boat ops & demanded details of ops, but each time CIA-chosen course was followed their boat was interfered with by Castro gunboats -

Hunt explained reasons for CIA procedures - avoid duplication & compromise of effort; avoid hostile monitoring of communications; Coast Guard interference; provide rescue in emergencies.

Arrime.

Lorie & Diaz denounced Arrime as Castro penetration agent. - Bolstered by Newman's recollection that Juan ORTA was believed to have said Castro once claimed an agent high in counter-revol. circles.

Hunt explained Lorie lost out in MRR power struggle; PDL felt personal resentment, political vindictiveness. Arrime's father was a communist, but Arrime suspected more

formative years spent w/ Iconits.

Aureliano Sanchez Arango-

re: attacks of RC by Sanchez and Jose Figueres

Alino Diaz

re: story that CIA had not kept its agreements w/ Diaz, making it impossible for Diaz to land his force in Cuba.

Hunt. "S explained what really happened.

Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo-

re: allegations that Menoyo & grp were detained at McAllen, TX to appease Batista & Trujillo partisans.

Hunt explained move to TX decided on by INS be insure safety of Gutierrez; assess grp's conflicting tales. GRP arrived too late for inclusion in military program.

Revol. Council complaints!

re: gen. theme that U.S. had not lived up to its commitments to provide air cover for landings despite pre-invasion promise by Pres. Kennedy to provide this umbrella.

Hunt explained RC looking for scapegoat. Said Pres. had made

no such positive commitment to RC before the invasion ... Pres. dispatched Messrs Bell & Schlesinger to Miami in NY prior to invasion to say Pres. had said quite the contrary. Said pesonal interviews betw. Pres & RC had taken place on 19 & 20 April, in fact.

As to lack lack of protective air cover, HH cited failure of RC's B-26s to eliminate Castro air forces during 15 Apr. Strike. HH "mute" as to fault for lack of second mop-up Strike. Said bases in Guatemala becoming untenable - open for Oppos.' congress. inspection by 18 Apr. - Newman - declared - realization that it wasn't sabotage by Communist agents - "we sabotaged ourselves!" -

Newman expressed interest in HH identity. Conceded he had never heard "Eduardo".

- Dispatch 25 March 61 - TO Chief WH Div from Chief of base - Havana.
  Re: Anti-FRD activities of Carlos PRIO Socarras-

  Prio held meeting 7 Mar 61 at Everglades Hotel, Miami, Fla. made anti-FRD statements to press.
  Men who had been planning action w/ PDL, left him, joined Prio, since PDL lacked resources.

- Dispatch 3 Mar 61 to Chief of Base, JMWAVE, fr. Chief, WHD
  Marcos D.L., anticipating arrest for anti-Com. activities, made advance preparations to have one of his "reps" contact [ODIBEX] ofc. Lt. Douglas ~~Allen~~ Lethbridge Aguilera, FAR ofcr, of one of These reps.
  Marcos stated that Lethbridge trying to get names of Russian NKVD agents in Cuba & when he has penetrated Com. orgs. in Cuba he will disclose Their plans to ~~me~~ me."

- Doc x fer & cross-ref - 28 Jul. 63
  involved in poss. aircraft bomb and leaflet raid on Habana Cuba to take place on 28 July 63.

- Memo of meeting held at home of Juan Carlos [Nemesio Rodriguez] 2-26-61

PDL, Juan Caros, Com. Gonzalez met, decided Diaz Lanz start out for Cuba. Believe PDL good name will help get Amer. assistance. PDL expressed bitterness toward FRD and Artime.

- Cable - 17 Feb 61
to BELL fr WAVE
Neither PDL nor AMNORM-1 recollect knowing Enrique Molina Rivera AKA Arturo Morales Y Rodriguez

- Cable 10 Feb 61
TO JMWAVE fr: BELL
PDL passed $460 advance by HQS during trip ZRMETAL. WAVE should obtain accounting.

- Cable 3 Feb 61
TO: JMWAVE
FR: BELL
AMCORE-2 & [QDBIAS] returning Miami 4 Feb. As result inability obtain visas

w/ permission for plane, tour to be made w/one or both via commercial flights. Tion plans contingent alleged AMDIP-1 offer to PDB45 make him replacement for LITAINT-1 in AMIRON OPS. AMCORE 2 reports tentatively offered post as prime minister prov. for by AMDIP 1, but would make tour regardless

Subjs will call Choaden for contact instructions WAVE Co when assistance needed.

– Routing & Record Sheet – 1 Feb 61.
Notes: Re: PDL.
"Diaz Lanz would cause increased morale problems at MADD.
Possibly could use unilaterally."
"No interest to PMOPS."

– Memo 1 Feb 61 for WH/4/PM/AM
Re: PDL.
Met w/ Michael M. Maney (WH/4/Prop) to ask if he could be pilot in FRD Air Force.
Author recommends PDL would aid greatly in creating esprit de corps and discipline

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– Dispatch 20 Jan 61
TO Chief WHD from Chief of Base JMWAVE
Re: Frank Fiorini – comments re: alleged plans of [KUBARK]

On 4 Jan 61 Mr. Joseph A. Fortier, Supervising Customs Agent in Miami, sent attachment A to local Chief of [KUTUMP] who in turn sent it to JMWAVE.

Inasmuch as the content of Attach. A appears to implicate PDL in an unfavorable manner, CRABANAC investigated the case & submitted a

memo dated 9 Jan 61, Attach B. Chief of Base agrees w/ conclusion in Para 7 of Attach B.

– Attachment A –

Writer [Edward D. Fiderer, Customs Agent] and Cust. Agent [Steve Fiorini] interviewed Sturgis On Dec 30, 1960 at his residence 2080 SW 60th Court, Miami, Fla.

Alan McDonald, close assoc of Sturgis, also present. Fiorini said B-26 seized by Customs, used for leaflet drop on Havana, was returned to him after payment of charges – $2,800.00. Money was furnished by [KUBARK] & ~~[illegible]~~

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he had turned over the airplane for use by PDL. PDL was at aircraft almost every day - preparing plan for "good will tour" of Central Amer. countries, to be sanctioned by KUBARK.

Writer told Fiorini he was prob. being duped — many open talk that U.S. supporting group — always w/out foundation.

On questioning Fiorini said he spoke to KUBARK agent by the name of "Barker" of 4420 N.W. 5th St.

Office contacted PDL for cooperation. PDL was advised Fiorini was interviewed earlier that day — PDL expressed concern that Fiorini might get involved in way that would impair plans of anti-Castro groups.

Office making report because "loose talk" by Fiorini might have adverse effects. FBI had earlier interviewed Fiorini, presumably re: similar "loose talk"

-Attachment B - 9 Jan 61.

- Alleged $2,800 payment is presumed to be part of money given to PDL by Saralegui as personal loan

2. PDL, preparing his aircraft for the travels de verdad and instructions given by him to aircraft technicians including poss. use of nat'l flags on nose of aircraft would confirm Diaz intended to visit # of countries.

3. Barker says he met Fiorini on only one occasion w/ a group of people & has never seen him before or since. Alleged address of Burke provided by Fiorini not correct.

4. Fiorini has lost confidence of PDL & has been treating w/ such people as Resco in an attempt to involve himself in anti-Castro activity. Note PDL expressed concern Fiorini "might get involved . . . ."

5. PDL alleges he & his people hounded by federal agents whose interest in plane overhauling activities & that these federal officials asked leading & provocative questions.

6. entire Exec. Comte of FRD, as well as

propaganda commission, fully acquainted w/ prepatory plans for flight and it is, therefore, not strange plans have become known outside that immed. grp.

7. However, a review of Customs rept, together w/ above, would indicate that "the essential element of plausible denial still remains."

- ~~Draft~~ Cable 10 Jan 61 to Bell from WAVE following chron. applies to prepatory actions for PDL trip — select flight ~~trip~~ party; obtain visas, landing permits; establish flight routing, lift govt agency restrictions on PDL and aircraft. FRD send letter of instruction to FRD delegations in host countries outlining advance preparations necessary — i.e. Special equipmt for plane — PDL suggest tape recordings be made at local stops for mailing back and use on Swan. Expect concrete team during wk of 9 Jan. PDL will handcarry passports and flight documents to Washington, obtain visas & landing permits & submit results to

Choaden who to finalize flight route.
Have tied [QDBIAS] aim a 15 Jan takeoff
tho realize this prob. optimistic.