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CAMILO PADREDA VASQUEZ, who furnished the information to the Legal Attache, Madrid, per letter 7/29/60, from

Legal Attache, Madrid, to the Bureau. See report of SA THOMAS H. ERRION, 11/3/60, at Miami, captioned,

"CHANGED: ELOY GUTTERREZ MENOYO, aka, Kiko Pernas,

IS - CUBA."

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SA T-2:

SA T-1:

JULIEN VERNIMMEN, Belgian Security Service; set out in Legal Attache, Paris, letter to Director, 1/11/61, captioned, "ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, aka, IS - CUBA."



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SA T-3:

MIGUEL ANTONIO SANCHEZ RAMOS, PSI of the New York Office.

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It is noted that the investigative period is lengthy; however, the Bureau and Office of Origin have been kept up to date on the status of this investigation through use of referenced communications.

Translation of the article which appeared in the February 12, 1961, of Diario Las Americas, was done by ELEANORE SCHOENBERGER, of the Miami Office.

Two additional copies of this report are being furnished the Bureau for transmittal to Legat, Paris and Madrid.

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This report is classified "Secret" inasmuch as it contains information from CIA ISA T-5), which was so classified. It is noted that this report also contains information furnished by MIGUEL ANTONIO SANCHEZ RAMOS, (SA T-3). New York letter to Director, 2/14/61, captioned, "ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, IS - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - CUBA," contains instructions that any report containing information furnished by SANCHEZ RAMOS should be classified "Secret."

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MULEY in care of ARTURO G. MATA, Poste Restante Central Lieges, Belgium. He stated that when he was about ready to leave Madrid, Spain, he sent a telegram to the above mentioned address, and addressed it to ARTURO G. MATA. He stated he did not know recall the contents of this telegram, but that he was certain that he did not state that he was leaving Spain with instructions for MATA. On arriving in Brussels, Belgium, GUTIERREZ attempted to locate both MATA and MULEY through the Cuban Embassy located in Brussels, but was unsuccessful as no one there appeared to know either of these individuals. He said he then sent MATA a second telegram to the same address in Lieges, Belgium, but received no The Cuban Ambassador to Belgium then personally response. drove him to Lieges, Belgium, and the two of them managed to locate MATA through inquiry in a bar in the Spanish colony in Lieges. GUTIERREZ stated that after he met MATA, the latter introduced him to ADDERRAMAN MULEY, and he admitted that the three of them discussed Spain and its present problems, and that MATA and MULZY both informed him that they were actively engaged in fighting against FRANCISCOVERANCO. GUTIERREZ stated that both ADDERRAMAN MULEY and ARTURO G. MATA were members of the Directorio (DRIL), and that he Revolucionario Iberico de Liberacion believed ADDERRAMAN MULEY was one of the directors of GUTIERREZ said he had no prior knowledge of ARTURO G. MATA, and did not know if he had ever been in Cuba, or whether he had any connections with the present regime of FIDEL CASTRO. (X//U

SA T-2, a Confidential Source Abroad, advised on December 28, 1960, that ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO was reported to be a leader of the organization known as DRIL, and that he reportedly was sent to Belgium for the purpose of organizing the Liege Branch of this organization, and that he had come to Belgium to find out as much as possible about DRIL and its real value as a movement capable of overthrowing the FRANCO government in Spain. SA T-2 further advised that GUTIERREZ MENOYO arrived in Belgium by air from Madrid on July 21, 1960, and that since he had entered Belgium clandestinely, and since his presence was considered to be dangerous for the public welfare, GUTIERREZ MENOYO was the object of an explusion order issued on August 10, 1960.

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SA T-2 advised that GUTIERREZ MENOYO had been arrested on August 6, 1960, and that after the issuance of the explusion order, he was released on August 11, 1960, and left Belgium by air for Paris, France, on August 12, 1960. SA T-2 further advised that an individual named GONZALEZ ARTURO MATA/LIEDO, or ARTURO GONZALEZ MATA/LIEDO, a Spanish national also associated with DRIL, was arrested on the same day as GUTIERREZ MENOYO, and was expelled from Belgium on August 18, 1960.

Continuing the interview, GUTIERREZ MENOYO stated that he remained in Lieges, Belgium, for about three days, visiting with individuals who lived in the Spanish colony in that city, when he was suddenly arrested, placed in jail, and threatened with a return to Spain. He said he is certain that the FRANCO government in Spain put pressure on the Spanish Embassy in Brussels, Belgium, to have Belgium police arrest him, and place him in jail. He said that after about three days the government of Cuba lodged an informal complaint with Belgium, and arrangements were then made to expel him from the country. GUTIERREZ said he signed the explusion order, but did so under protest, claiming that the arrest had been illegal and that his incarceration was therefore without grounds.

GUTIERREZ stated that he flew from Brussels, Belgium, to Paris, France, and remained in Paris about 15 days, during which time he lived at the home of a man named ALVAREZ, whom he described as an employee of the Cuban Embassy in Paris. He said that during this time he visited the Spanish President-in-Exile, a man named HERRERA, who lives in Paris. He stated that when his vacation in Paris was nearly completed, he attempted to arrange for a return to Cuba by way of the United States, but could not do so, and finally obtained airlines tickets for a return flight by way of Lisbon, Portugal, Santa Maria in the Azores, and from there to Cuba. He said he spent six days in Santa Maria, the Azores, waiting for the Madrid-Havana plane. While there, he stated that Portuguese authorities examined him very closely, which was undoubtedly performed at the instigation of the FRANCO government in Spain.

GUTIERREZ, in commenting on his European trip, stated that the trip had no intelligence nor espionage aspects or significance and that he had made the trip

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was recently overheard to remark that GUTIERRE MENOYO was now living in Miami, Florida, and that he was a dedicated communist who lately was supposed to have fallen in disfavor with CASTRO which caused him to leave Cuba.

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SA T-5, another Government agency that conducts intelligence investigations, advised that a source who had not been evaluated, had advised that leaders of underground anti-CASTRO groups in Cuba were shocked on hearing of the defection of Major BLOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, and a group of his followers, and of their arrival in the United States. Many of these leaders considered GUTIERREZ to be an Agent Provesteur, and were reported as having reason to believe that two of GUTIERREZ companions, ANGEL BANOS, and "KIKO" PERNAS, were actually Cuban intelligence agents. Source said representatives of anti-CASTRO groups in the United States have been advised not to trust GUTIERREZ or any member of his group.

SA T-2, mentioned previously as having furnished information concerning GUTIERREZ' connections with the organization known as DRIL (Directorio Revolucionario Iberico de Liberacion) (Revolutionary Iberian Directorate of Liberation), also furnished the following additional information concerning the DRIL and ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO:

According to SA T-2, known active members of the DRIL included:

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1 (MAXIMO (BERNARDO), a Spaniard, employed at the "Madrid Bar", Liege, Belgium.

2. SOMINGO (ANTONIO), Lessee of the "Madrid Bar."

3. MORE (ABDERRAMAN), MULEY (MANUEL ROJAS), lives in Liego, Berglum.

4. YPENA (MAXIMO), a Liege architect.

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SANTORO (GUILLERMO), lives in Germany.

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8. ROJO RUIZ (MARIA), brought funds from Venezuela

for DRIL.

9. (JOSE), a resident of Venezuela.

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As previously noted by SA T-2, ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO was arrested on August 6, 1960, in Belgium, at which time he was in the company of the following individuals:

1. ROJO-RUIZ

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3. GONZALEZ-MATA-LLEDO (ARTURO)

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In possession of ROJO-RUIZ were the following

items:

An automatic gun with loader and cartridges;

A loaded stick;

A fired stick;

A firing device, without the detonator and explosive charge;

Four copies of a complete sabotage handbook, in Spanish, with sketches of many explosive contrivances, among them a booby-trap book with directions regarding their use.

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In possession of MULEY-MORE, were the following

items:

A revolver with cartridges;

A loaded stick.

According to SA T-2, all of the persons in the organization known as DRIL are referred to under the pseudo-aym or the first name under which they operate as agents of the DRIL. These are:

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X-PERS IS MULBY-MORE (ABDERRAMAN);

X"RAFAEL MARIA" is ROJO-RUIZ (RAFAEL-MARIA);

X"JUANJO" is GONZALEZ-MATA-LLEDO (ARTURO);

"ELOY" is GUTIERREZ-MENOYO (ELOY);

"MARINO" is MARIN-NOVOA, REYES;

"MIRKO" is SANTORO (GUILLERMO);

JUSTIN" is ALVAREZ MONTERO (JUSTINO);

("GUSTAVO" IS MARTINEZ DONOSO (SANTIAGO);

JOSE-MARIA" is KODRIGUEZ (JOSE-MARIA).

SA T-2 also advised that MARTINEZ-DONOSO (SANTIAGO), born January 7, 1940, Madrid, Spain, who was a Cuban national, was in Madrid from approximately April to June, 1960; that MARTINEZ was an agent of DRIL; that MARTINEZ' cousin had been shot following bombings in Madrid; that he had fled to Belgium where he was in contact with DRIL representatives, and that he returned to Cuba in July, 1960.

SA T-2 said further that at the time GUTIERREZ MENOYO was in Europe in the summer of 1960, that he was carrying out what was referred to as the "ELOY" mission.

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For this reason, FIDEL CASTRO would be inclined to entrust to him a sum of 60 million pesetas which was collected by Spaniards living in Cuba. This sum might constitute a fighting fund for the DRIL, but before releasing that sum, FIDEL CASTRO is said to have asked "ELOY" to get information in Europe about the DRIL and its real efficiency as a movement capable of overthrowing the FRANCO government. "ELOY" thus was said to have come to Liege, Belgium, for the purpose of meeting "PEPE" who might have been in a position to give him the information. Besides, he had to consider the possibility of a transfer from Cuba, via the Belgium banks, of the large amounts destined to the DRIL.

On April 6, 1961, ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO was again interviewed by SAS ZACHRY and HAGY, at the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Alien Detention Facility, McAllen, Texas, concerning the information attributed to SAT-2, set out directly above. Prior to initiating the interview, GUTIERREZ was reminded that he did not have to make any statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to legal counsel. He stated he understood this, and voluntarily furnished the following information:

He said he was not adquainted with MAXIMO (BERNARD) or DOMINGUEZ (ANTONIO). He pointed out that in a previous interview he had advised that in attempting to locate ARTURO G. MATA in Belgium, that he and the Cuban Ambassador to Belgium had gone to Liege, Belgium, where they managed to locate MATA through inquiry in a bar in the Spanish colony in Liege. GUTIERREZ said it was entirely possible that MAXIMO and DOMINGUEZ were the persons at this bar who assisted them in locating MATA.

Concerning ABDERRAMAN MULEY, GUTIERREZ said he was certain that this person was identical with the ADDERRAMAN MULEY mentioned by him in a previous interview as one of the directors of the DRIL. GUTIERREZ said MULEY, who also used the name of ROJAS, was one of those arrested with him

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in Liege, Belgium, on August 6, 1960. MULKY was later freed by Belgian authorities and returned to Cuba; GUTIERREZ saw and talked with MULKY in Cuba, and believes that he still lives in Cuba. GUTIERREZ said he vaguely recalled that MULKY used the nick name of "PEPR." He said MULKY told him that the FRANCO police had once tried to kill him, but did not say when or where.

Concerning PENA (MAXIMO), GUTIERREZ said he had been introduced to a person of this pame by MULEY, but that he had no other contact with PENA.

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Concerning VELO (JOSE), GUTIERREZ said he knew of no one by this name, but had heard ROJO mention a person named VELO; he could recall no details concerning this conversation.

Concerning JUSTE (ALONZO), GUTIERREZ said he knew of no one by this name.

GUTIERREZ said the only one of the above persons known by him to be connected with DRIL, was MULEY, whom he believed was one of the directors of this organization.

Concerning his arrest in Liege, Belgium, on August 6, 1960, GUTIERREZ said it was his recollection that there were five persons arrested with him. He said that in addition to himself, the man named ROJO, MULEY, ARTURO G. MATA, a man named ANTONIO, and a youth whose name he could

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not now recall, had been picked up by the Belgian police and jailed for several days. The arrest, he said, was based on charges that those seized were "undesirables" and thay were subsequently expalled from Belgium. He admitted that those arrested with him had been discussing Spain and the FRANCO government, but insisted that they had not been participating in a DRIL meeting. He also insisted that he was not, and had never been, a member of DRIL.

Concerning the list of pseudonyms, which SA T-2 stated were utilized by DRIL members, GUTIERREZ said he vaguely recalled that MULEY used the nick name "PEPE" while he had heard MULEY speak of a "MIRKO." He, himself, has always used the name ELOY, which is a given name and not a nick name or pseudonym. He said he had never heard of any of the other names on this list.

... Concerning SANTIAGO MARTINEZ DONOSO, GUTIERREZ said he knew of a young man by this name, about 20 years old, a Cuban citizen, whose father worked for Iberia Airlines in Havana, Cuba. Following GUTIERREZ' return to Havana, from Europe, in the late summer of 1960, he was contacted by MULEY and the man known to him as ROJO, who informed him that MARTINEZ was a member of the DRIL, and that following the bombings in Madrid, Spain, MARTINEZ and his cousin had been seized by the FRANCO police and the cousin shot; that MARTINEZ then made a deal with the FRANCO police for his freedom in return for which he was to assassinate GUTIERREZ. Shortly thereafter, MARTINEZ appeared at GUTIERREZ' home in Havana, on a pretext, whereupon GUTIERREZ confronted MARTINEZ with the information furnished by MULEY, and ROJO. He said MARTINEZ broke down and cried, but denied ever having made any deal with the FRANCO government, stating that there was no reason for him to help them as they had killed his GUTIERREZ said he thoroughly questioned MARTINEZ cousin. and finally arrived at the conclusion that he was telling the truth, and he then decided to question any further information furnished to him by MULEY and ROJO. GUTIERREZ said he had no reason to believe that MARTINEZ actually intended to kill him. He said he knew of no other name for MARTINEZ, apart from SANTIAGD MARTINEZ DONOSO, and that

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true name. He never saw MARTINEZ after this encounter.

Concerning the "ELOY" mission, GUTIERREZ said there was absolutely no truth in the facts alleged by SA T-2 in this regard. He said, however, that he had information that CASTRO's government was furnishing money to the Communist Party in Spain. He stated in this regard, that a friend, whom he said he did not wish to identify, had actually seen and copied the contents of a letter, dated October 20, 1960, at Madrid. Spain, directed to RAMIRO VALDEZ, head of Cuban G-2 spain Havana, Cuba, from MARINA GARCIA, the Cultural Attache in the Cuban Embassy in Wadrid. He said this letter made reference to the Tact that Captain RAUL SIAZ ARGUELLES, who was Chief of the Departamento Tecnico de Investigaciones del Ejercito Rebelde, in Hayana, had brought 250,000 dollars for the "revolutionaries" in Spain.

The Valley Morning Star, a morning newspaper published daily at Harlingen, Texas, in its issue of April 22, 1961, contains an article captioned, "Ex Cuban Consul Refused Interview With 13 Nationals Held at McAllen." According to the article, which is date lined at McAllen, Texas, RENE DEVCHARTE, former Cuban Consul in Tampa, Florida, was then InAMCATION in an attempt to obtain the release of 13 Cuban nationals, then being held at the McAllen Facility of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service. The article noted that ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO was one of the 13 Cubans, whose release was sought by DE CHARTE.

On April 30, 1961, RENE DECHARD, of Miami, Florida, advised SA RICHARD S. CLARK that he was formerly Cuban Consul at Tampa for the CASTRO administration, but has defected and now lives at Miami. He advised that he has just returned from Texas where he made a trip to see about the release from custody of ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, being detained at McAllen, Texas, by the U. S. Border Patrol. He advised that he has been contacted by numerous federal authorities concerning GUTIERREZ MENOYO and has furnished them with his views concerning GUTIERREZ MENOYO and wanted to go on record again as vouching that GUTIERREZ MENOYO is sincerely anti-CASTRO, and was not a communist. He advised that GUTIERREZ MENOYO acted as a double agent for CASTRO in exposing a Dominican plot because TRUJILLO

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