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Political Prisoner in Hospital

Clemart Joseph Charles was taken from the National Penitentiary in Portau-Prince to Haiti's General Hospital. The former Duvalier banker has been jailed since 15.1 "for political reasons!" No proper trial was held.

Mr. Charles is suffering from an acute liver infection and the physicians attending him have warned that he will die unless he's allowed to travel abroad for special treatment.

This isn't the first time Mr. Charles was taken from his cell to a hospital. Last year he was rushed to Haiti's military hospital for treatment of the same disease.

Mrs. Charles has been allowed to visit her husband.

This is the first time the Duvalier regime has acted half humanely with a political prisoner. It's been pointed out that Marie-Denise Duvalier Dominique, a friend of Mr. Charles, has often interceded for him.

• Army chief-of-staif Jean-Baptiste Hilaire will soon be replaced, say military sources in Port-au-Prince. His likely replacement? Col. Roger St. Albain.

On a lighter note, the General ran for cover on September 22 while there was a review on the Palace grounds to commemorate Duvalier's "election" in 1957. Accidentally the loaded automatic weapon of a militaman west off. Many officials, General Hilaire among them, scrambled for protection. Jean-Claude, his mother and their bodyguard General Gracia Jacques were trembling, but they kept standing, says a source that was standing close to them.

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REPORT NO. FIR LT-313/01268-74

DATE DISTR. 18 October 1974

COUNTRY Haiti

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Early October 1974

SUBJECT

Transfer of Political Prisoner Clemard Joseph Charles to Port-au-Prince General Hospital.

ACQ

15 October 1974

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SOURCE

A reliable source from a Haitian exile leader who is well educated and who has a wide variety of contacts in Haitian exile groups. The exile was aware that his information would reach the U.S. Government.

- 1. Clemard Joseph C h a r l e s, former president of the Commercial Bank of Haiti who has been held political prisoner since April 1970 on charges of plotting against the government, was recently transferred from jail to the general hospital in Port-au-Prince. Charles is said to be dying of cirrhosis of the liver and was transferred to the hospital on orders of Madame Simone Ovide D u v a l i e r, mother of Haitian President Jean Claude D u v a l i e r.
- 2. Doctors recommended that Charles be sent abroad for proper medical treatment but Mme. Duvalier authorized his transfer only to the local hospital. According to close relatives, this occurred only after Minister of Interior and Defense Paul B 1 a n c h e t told the President and his mother that he would refuse to become involved in this case and would not sign any papers required of him as Minister of Interior certifying that Charles had died in prison. Relatives of Charles still intend to press for his removal from the country.
 - 3. Field Dissem: Sent to Port-au-Prince.

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DIST 24 MARCH 1972

COUNTRY HAITI

20 MARCH 1972

SUBJECT FURTHER EFFORTS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF HAITI TO BRING ABOUT RAPPROCHEMENT WITH HAITIAN EXILES .

ACQ

22 MARCH 1972

A YOUNG HAITIAN EXILE LEADER WHO IS WELL EDUCATED AND WHO HAS A WIDE VARIETY OF CONTACTS IN HAITIAN EXILE GROUPS. HIS REPORTING HAS BEEN RELIABLE.

1. ON APPROXIMATELY 20 MARCH 1972 LUCKNER C A M B R O N N E, HAITIAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND NATIONAL DEFENSE, TELEPHONED FERMIN JOSEPH, AN OFFICIAL OF THE NEW YORK-BASED, HAITIAN EXILE NEWSPAPER "HAITI OBSERVATEUR," AND TOLD JOSEPH THAT HE KAS ANTI-GOVERNMENT OF HAITI (GOH) STANCE DISAPPOINTED AT THE TAKEN BY THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" IN GENERAL AND JOSEPH IN PARTI-CULAR IN THE 18 MARCH EDITION OF THE PAPER. CAMBRONNE STATED THAT HE HAD HOPED THAT HIS RECENT INVITATION TO ALL HAITIAN EXILES TO RETURN TO HAITI, COUPLED WITH HIS PRIVATE DISCUSSION

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WITH JOSEPH, WOULD HAVE GIVEN THE PAPER CAUSE TO RE-EXAMINE ITS POSITION VIS-A-VIS THE GOH.

- 2. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: THE SAME SOURCE REPORTED IN TDCS-314/01942-72 THAT DURING A MEETING ON 16 MARCH 1972

 BETWEEN THE TWO, CAMBRONNE TOLD JOSEPH THE GOH CONSIDERED THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" AND ITS SUPPORTERS TO BE THE ONLY OBSTACLE TO THE GOH'S PLANS TO REUNITE ALL HAITIANS IN AN EFFORT TO BUILD A NEW, PROGRESSIVE NATION. AS A FIRST STEP TO RAPPROCHEMENT, CAMBRONNE ASKED JOSEPH TO REALIGN HIMSELF WITH THE GOH AND RETURN TO HAITI. IF JOSEPH ACCEPTED, CAMBRONNE SAID, THE GOH WOULD BE WILLING TO NAME HIM TO WHATEVER OFFICIAL POSITION HE DESIRED EITHER INSIDE HAITI OR ABROAD.)
- COULD GIVE ANY THOUGHT TO SOFTENING THEIR POSITIONS ON THE GOH,
 THE GOH WOULD HAVE TO SHOW ITS GOOD INTENTIONS THROUGH DEEDS RATHER
 THAN MERE PROMISES. CAMBRONNE THEN INVITED THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR"
 TO SEND A TEAM OF REPORTERS TO HAITI TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES THE
 CHANGES WHICH WERE BEING BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE REGIME OF PRESIDENT
 JEAN-CLAUDE D U V A L I E R. BEFORE SUCH A TRIP COULD BE MADE,
 JOSEPH SAID, POLITICAL PRISONERS WOULD HAVE TO BE RELEASED. ALSO,

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THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" WOULD INSIST THAT ANY SUCH TEAM OF REPORTERS WOULD HAVE TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY NEWSMEN FROM OTHER NATIONS WHO WOULD ACT AS GUARDS AGAINST ANY PRESSURE THE GOH MIGHT APPLY AGAINST THE HAITIAN REPORTERS.

- 4. JOSEPH ASKED CAMBRONNE WHETHER THE GOH INDEED INTENDED TO RELEASE SUCH POLITICAL PRISONERS AS HUBERT L E G R O S, CLEMARD JOSEPH C H A R L E S, AND COL. KESNER B L A I N AS CAMBRONNE HAD INTIMATED DURING HIS 15 MARCH PRESS CONFERENCE. TO THIS CAMBRONNE REPLIED THAT HE CONSIDERED LEGROS TO BE A VERY DANGEROUS MAN AND THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF EVER RELEASING HIM. (HEAD-QUARTERS COMMENT: LEGROS, A LAWYER AND SELF-PROCLAIMED COMMUNIST, WAS ARRESTED IN MAY 1970 AFTER HAVING BEEN SOUGHT BY HAITIAN AUTHORITIES FOR SEVERAL YEARS. CHARLES, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, AND BLAIN, FORMER COMMANDANT OF THE QUARTERWASTER CORPS, WERE ARRESTED IN APRIL 1970 FOR PLOTTING AGAINST THE GOH.)
- 5. CAMBRONNE REITERATED THAT HE BELIEVED THE "HAITI
 OBSERVATEUR" POSED THE NUMBER ONE THREAT TO THE GOH'S PLANS TO
 REUNITE ALL MAITIANS. CAMBRONNE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOH
 ALSO BELIEVED GEORGES R I G A U D, A LEADER OF THE HAITIAN

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RESISTANCE MOVEMENT IN MONTREAL, AND A PROFESSOR RENE S A I N T - L O U I S, WHO IS ALSO LOCATED IN CANADA, TO BE IMPORTANT ENEMIES OF THE GOH.

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COUNTRY

: HAITI

DEST 17 M-RCH 1971

MID-MARCH 1971

SUBJECT

: RESULTS OF THE INTERROGATION OF CLEMARD JOSEPH

CHARLES AND KESMER BLAIN

ACD

: HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE (16 MARCH 1971) HTP-1469

SOURCE

A FORMER HAITIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE WHO HAD THE CONFIDENCE OF MANY MEMBERS OF THE DUVALIER GOVERNMENT. HIS PAST REPORTING HAS GENERALLY BEEK ACCURATE. HE RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION FROM A HIGH RANKING MEMBER OF THE HAITIAN

ARKED FORCES GENERAL STAFF.

1. ACCORDING TO SRIG. GEE. CLAUDE RAYNCED, CHIEF OF HAITIAN ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF. PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER COMPLETED HIS PERSONAL INTERROGATION OF CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI. AND COL. KESKER B L A I N , FORKER QUARTERMASTER OF THE HAITIAN ARMED FORCES, ON 15 MARCH 1971.

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CFIELD COMMENT: HTP-1467, TDCS-314/D2737-71 , REPORTED THAT
DUVALIER HAD SEEN BLAIN PRIVATELY ON 9 MARCH 1971 AND BLAIN
AND CHARLES TOGETHER ON 12 MARCH 1971. THE SAME SOURCE REPORTED
THAT DUVALIER HAD AGAIN SEEN BLAIN AND CHARLES ON 15 MARCH 1971.)

- 2. RAYMOND SAID THAT, IN HIS INTERROGATION OF CHARLES,
 DUVALIER APPEARED PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH DETERMINING IF
 CHARLES HAD SERVED AS A FUNDING CHANNEL FROM AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN
 TO THE HAITIAN CONSPIRATORS. IN THE COURSE OF THE INTERROGATION,
 DUVALIER SHOWED CHARLES A PHOTOCOPY OF A CASHIER'S CHECK FOR
 \$170,000 DRAWN IN CHARLES' NAME. CHARLES ALLEGEDLY REPLIED THAT
 HE HAD DEALINGSWITH MANY FOREIGNERS AND HAITIANS. HE DENIED
 DUVALIER'S CHARGES SAYING THAT, IF HE HAD BEEN INVOLVED, IT
 WOULD HAVE BEEN A PURELY HAITIAN AFFAIR AND THAT HE WOULD NOT
 SULLY HAITI'S HONOR BY SEEKING HELP FROM FOREIGNERS.
- 3. ACCORDING TO RAYMOND, BLAIN ALSO DENIED ANY FOREIGH
 INVOLVEMENT. HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT ALL THE CABINET MEMBERS
 HAD CONSPIRED WITH HIM AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER, EXCEPT FOR
 AURELE JOSEPH, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERIOR AND NATIONAL
 DEFENSE; MAX A B T O I N E, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SOCIAL AFFAIRS;
 AND ANDRE D U B E, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC

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AFFAIRS. BLAIN ALSO IMPLICATED ABOUT ONE QUARTER OF THE

49-MAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, INCLUDING SUCH PERSONS AS ULRICH

5 T. - L O U I S , PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY AND DEPUTIES

LUCKNER C A M B R O N N E , VICTOR MEVERS C C N S T A M T ,

AND MME. MARCELLE A U G U S T I N . BLAIN ADDED THAT HE HAD

ALSO CONSPIRED WITH COL. BRETON C L A U D E , COMMANDER OF

THE DESSALINES BATTALION, AND COL. FRED M. A R T Y , INSPECTOR

GENERAL OF THE HAITIAN ARMED FORCES. BLAIN SAID THAT, LONG

BEFORE APRIL 1970, CLAUDE HAD ALSO BEEN INVOLVED IN VARIOUS

CONSPIRACIES WITH CLOVIS D E S I N O R , FORMER SECRETARY OF

STATE FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, LUCKNER CAMBRONNE,

AND THE LATE LEON B O R D E S , AND THAT THESE MEN HAD FORMED

A CLANDESTINE POLITICAL PARTY WITH DE INOR AS PRESIDENT.

- 4. RAYMOND SAID THAT DUVALIER WAS CONTINUING A SECRET
 INVESTICATION OF THESE ADMISSIONS, PARTICULARLY IN RESPECT
 TO POSSIBLE FOREIGN FINANCING OF THE PLOT. IN RAYMOND'S
 OPINION, DUVALIER WILL TAKE NO ACTION UNTIL THE INVESTIGATION
 IS COMPLETE.
 - 5. CONCERNING THE MILITARY TRIBUNAL WHICH WAS CONVENED IN EARLY MARCH 1971, RAYMOND SAID THAT THE TRIAL WAS SIMPLY

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DECIDED UPON, BUT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEM AWAITS WORD
FROM DUVALIER. THE TRIAL OF THE THREE DEFENDANTS CURRENTLY
IN EXILE, ALPHONSE LAHENS, CLEMENCEAU PROSPER,
AND GERARD LOISEWU, IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON

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DATE DISTR. 28 AUGUST 1970

COUNTRY HAITI

LATE AUGUST 1970

SUBJECT

PROSPECTIVE RELEASE OF REMAINING POLITICAL

INFORMATION TO DATE HAS APPEARED RELIABLE.

PRISONERS ARRESTED IN APRIL 1970 FOR

ALLEGEDLY PLOTTING AGAINST GOVERNMENT

ACQ

HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE (26 AUG. 1970) FIELD NO. HTP-1435

SOURCE

A FORMER HAITIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE WHO HAS THE CONFIDENCE
OF MANY MEMBERS OF THE DUVALIER GOVERNMENT. HIS REPORTING HAS
BEEN ACCURATE SINCE 1963. HE RECEIVED THE INFORMATION FROM
AN OFFICIAL OF THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT WHOSE POSITION PROVIDES
HIM ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF ARRESTS
ALTHOUGH HE HAS BEEN REPORTING FOR ONLY A SHORT TIME, HIS

1. ACCORDING TO A HIGH-RANKING OFFICER IN THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD, THE THREE REMAINING POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRESTED IN APRIL 1970 ON CHARGES OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING, WILL BE AMNESTIED ON 22 SEPTEMBER 1970, THE ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER'S ELECTION AS PRESIDENT FOR LIFE. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: CS-311/06776-70 REPORTED THE RELEASE OF THE OTHER POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRESTED IN APRIL AND MAY 1970.) THE PRISONERS TO BE RELEASED IN SEPTEMBER ARE COL. KESNER BLAIN, FORMER QUARTERMASTER OF THE ARMED FORCES: CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF

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HAITI; AND EDMOND PIERRE - PAUL, FORMER CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE HAITIAN SUPREME COURT. ALL THREE MEN, CURRENTLY CONFINED IN THE NATIONAL PENITENTIARY, ARE IN POOR STATE OF HEALTH.

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COUNTRY HAITI

EARLY AUGUST 1970

BELFASE OF HAITIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS SUBJECT

HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE (11 AUGUST 1970) HELD NO. HTP-1432 ACQ A FORMER HAITIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE WHO HAS THE CONFIDENCE OF SOURCE MANY NEMBERS OF THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT. HIS REPORTING HAS BEEN ACCURATE SINCE 1963. HE RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION FROM AN OFFICIAL OF THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT WHOSE POSITION PROVIDED HIM ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF ARRESTS. AUTIOUGH HE HAS ONLY BEEN REPORTING FOR A SHORT TIME, HIS INFORMATION TO DATE HAS APPEARED RELIABLE.

> 1. AS OF 3 AUGUST 1970, FORTY OF THE POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRESTED BETWEEN EARLY APRIL AND LATE MAY 1970 FOR ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT IN THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING OF COL. KESNER B L A I N, FORMER QUARTERWASTER OF THE HAITIAN ARMED FORCES, AND COL. OCTAVE CAYARD, FORMER COMMANDER OF THE HAITIAN COAST GUARD, HAD BEEN RELEASED. BY 7 AUGUST 1970, AN ADDITIONAL MINETEEN PRISONERS WERE RELEASED, MAKING A TOTAL OF 59. AMONG THE PRISONERS RELEASED WERE FRITZ THEBAUD, FORMER SECRETARY OF FINANCE; VOLVICK CAYARD, FORMER DEPUTY AND BROTHER OF COL. CAYARD; MAX PIERBE-PAUL, FORMER

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PROSPER AND HER DAUGHTER MARYSE; AND ALL OF THE
DETECTIVES OF THE PORT AU PRINCE POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO HAD
BEEN ARRESTED.

- 2. AS OF 11 AUGUST 1970, THE ONLY PERSONS STILL BELIEVED TO BE UNDER ARREST ARE CLEMARD JOSEPH C H A R L E S, PRESIDENT OF THE CONVERTIL BANK OF HAITI; COL. BLAIN; EDMOND P I E R R E P A U L, FORMER CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE HAITIAN SUPREME COURT; AND A COUSIN OF CLEMENCEAU PROSPER. OF THE PERSONS ARRESTED IN THIS CONNECTION, ONLY TWO, CITE D O U G E AND LEON B O R D E S ARE DEAD. BOTH DIED AS A RESULT OF HISTREATMENT WHILE IN PRISON.
- 3. (SOURCE COMMENT: SEVERAL OF THE FORMER PRISONERS, INCLUDING THEBAUD, MME. PROSPER, AND PIERRE-PAUL, HAVE BEEN SEEN ON THE STREETS OF PORT AU PRINCE SINCE THEIR RELEASE.

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- L. ACCORDING MORNING PRESS 8 MAY, LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER PASSED DECREE 7 MAY WHICH STRIPPED FOLLOWING PASSED OF HAITIAN CITIZENSHIP AND CONFISCATED THEIR GOODS AND CHATTELS; CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, CLEMENCEAU PROSPER, ALPHONSE LAHENS, AND KESHER PLAIN. STATED REASON FOR DECREE WAS THAT THESE PER SORS WERE ACCOMPLICES OF REBEL COASTGUARDSMEK. DECREE ESSENTIALLY SAME AS ONE PASSED 27 APRIL ACCORDING DENTICAL TREATMENT TO COASTGUARDSMEN.
- 2. PALACE ALSO AKNOUNCED THAT IT YOULD NOT PROCEED. WITH EXTRADITION PROCEDINGS AGAINST COASTGUARDSHEN BUT WOULD JUDGE THEM IN ABSENTIA. THIS ACTION FOLLOWED NOTE RECEIVED BY EMBASSY ON 7 MAY WITHDRAVING EARLIER REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION.
- 3. NET EFFECT THESE ACTIONS LENDS CREDENCE TO IMPRESSION THAT HAITIAM GOVT PREPARED ACT IN OUTWARDLY LEGAL WAY IN DEALING WITH REBELLICH. OF CHAND, REXCVAL OF CITIZENSHIP AND CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY LEAVES FAMILIES DESTITUTE WHICH PROBABLY AMPLE OBJECT LESSON TO OTHERS CONSIDERING REBELLION

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- 5. ON PERSONAL SIDE, FRAYNE'S LIFE SOMEWHAT COMPLICATED BY FACT THAT CHARLES WAS HIS LANDLORD AND EFFECT OF CONFISCATION ORDER REMAINS TO BE SEEN.
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- 1. STATUS OF COL. KESNER BLAIN, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF ARMED FORCES, AND CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF COMMERCIAL BANK, IMPRISONED FOR ALLEGED ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING
- 2. DENUNCIATION OF COL. OCTAVE CATARD, COMMANDER OF COAST GUARD, BY LUCKNER CAMBRONNE, DEPUTY FROM ARCAHAIE

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HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE (1 MAY 1970)

FIELD NO. HTP-1406, 1405

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A HAITIAN UNIVERSITY GRADUATE WHO HAS GOOD CONTACTS AMONG MEMBERS
OF THE HAITIAN MILITARY. HE IS A NEW SOURCE AND THE RELIABILITY
OF HIS REPORTING HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED.

- 1. ONE OF THE SOLDIERS AT THE DESSALINES BARRACKS WHO IS GUARDING COL. KESNER B L A I N, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND CLEMARD JOSEPH C H A R L E S, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, WHO WERE ARRESTED IN EARLY APRIL 1970 FOR ALLEGED ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING, SAID THAT BOTH MEN STILL WERE ALIVE AS OF 30 APRIL. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: TDCS-314/03869-70 REPORTED THE ARRESTS OF BLAIN AND CHARLES.)
- 2. ACCORDING TO A SOLDIER AT THE NATIONAL PALACE, COL.

 OCTAVE C A Y A R D, COMMANDER OF THE COAST GUARD, WAS SUMMONED
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TO THE PALACE ON 22 APRIL 1970 BY PRESIDENT FRANCOIS D'U V A L I E R AS A RESULT OF A DENUNCIATION BY LUCKNER CAMBRONNE, A DEPUTY FROM ARCAHAIE (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: TDCS-314/03869-70 REPORTED THAT CAMBRONNE WAS A MEMBER OF A COMMISSION ASSIGNED BY DUVALIER TO INTERROGATE THE PERSONS ARRESTED DURING THE WEEK OF 1 APRIL 1970.) WHILE CAYARD WAS WITH DUVALIER, CAMBRONNE TELEPHONED DUVALIER TO SAY THAT CAYARD SHOULD NOT BE RELEASED BECAUSE HE (CAMBRONNE) HAD IRREFUTABLE PROOF OF CAYARD'S COMPLICITY IN ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING. DUVALIER ASKED CAMBRONNE TO REPEAT HIS ACCUSATION WHILE HE GAVE CAYARD THE TELEPHONE RECEIVER TO LISTEN. FOLLOWING THE CONVERSATION WITH CAMBRONNE, DUVALIER REASSURED CAYARD OF HIS TRUST IN HIM AND REQUESTED CAYARD TO ARREST TWO COAST GUARD OFFICERS DURING THE COURSE OF THAT WEEK. CAYARD AGREED TO FOLLOW THE ORDER, BUT TOLD DUVALIER THAT HE KNEW THE ADDRESS OF ONLY ONE OF THE TWO OFFICERS. (FIELD COMMENT: ON 24 APRIL 1970, CAYARD LED AN ABORTIVE REVOLT BY THE COAST GUARD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT. SEE TDCS-314/04646-70 AND SUBSEQUENT REPORTING ON THIS SUBJECT.)

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HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE (10 APRIL 1970) HELD NO. HTP-1379

SOURCE A HAITIAN PROFESSIONAL MAN WHO HAS THE CONFIDENCE OF MANY MEMBERS OF THE DUVALIER GOVERNMENT. HE IS A NEW SOURCE AND THE RELIABILITY OF HIS REPORTING HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED.

1. ACCORDING TO DR. JACQUES FOURCAND, ONE OF THE PERSONAL PHYSICIANS TO PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER, DUVALIER WAS INFORMED OF THE RECENT ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOT, WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY LED TO SEVERAL ARRESTS OF SUSPECTED PLOTTERS, BY CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI. CHARLES DENOUNCED THE PLOT TO DUVALIER WHEN HE REALIZED HE HAD BEEN "DOUBLE-CROSSED" BY COL. KESNER B L A I N, QUARTERVASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMED FORCES, WHO HAD PROMISED TO MAKE CHARLES PRESIDENT OF HAITI IN RETURN FOR \$100,000 TO FINANCE

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A REVOLT AGAINST DUVALIER. CHARLES ALSO HAD RETUSED TO

GIVE THE MONEY TO BLAIN. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: ALTHOUGH SOURCE

DID NOT INDICATE HOW BLAIN HAD "DOUBLE-CROSSED" CHARLES, CHARLES

WAS REPORTED IN OCTOBER 1969 TO BE FINANCING A PLOT EXIST

HEADED BY COL. OCTAVE C A Y A R D, COMMANDER OF THE COAST GUARD.

SEE TDCS-314/15048-69. ALSO IN OCTOBER 1969, TDCS-314/15083-69

REPORTED ANOTHER PLOT AGAINST THE DUVALIER GOVERNMENT BEING

HEADED BY BLAIN. CHARLES, HOWEVER, WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THIS

REPORT AS BEING INVOLVED IN BLAIN'S PLOT.)

- 2. FOURCAND SAID THE INQUIRY IS CONTINUING. HE SAID THAT
 HE WOULD DEFEND THE PRISONERS AND ADDED THAT NO ONE WOULD BE SHOT
 'AS HAD HAPPENED BEFORE. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: FOURCAND PROBABLY
 IS REFERRING TO A SIMILAR PURGE OF SUSPECTED PLOTTERS AGAINST THE
 GOVERNMENT CARRIED OUT BY DUVALIER IN HID-1967, WHICH RESULTED
 IN THE EXECUTION OF 19 ARMY OFFICERS.) (FIELD COMMENT:
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- 2. CURRENT BOX SCORE OF DETAINEES COMPRISES BLAIN. DOUGE, BORDES, CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES AND HIS ASSISTANT, MAPOLLO GARNIER. ALPHONSE LAHENS STILL AT LARGE AND REPORTEDLY UNSUCCESSFUL IN SEEKING ASYLUM AT VARIOUS LATIN EMBASSIES. MME. LAHEMS NO LONGER IN CUSTODY. ALSO CONSTANTIN DUPLESSIS HAS BEEN RELEASED.
- 3. HO HARD INFO AND LITTLE INFORMED SPECIALATION CURRENTLY AVAILABLE ON MATURE OR EXTENT OF PLOT IF ONE "ACTUALLY EXISTED. HOST PERSISTENT RUMOR IS THAT BLAIM SOMEHOW PLANNED SEIZE GC-18 AND LAY SIEGE TO PALACE WITH

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EVNENDS LAST DECEMBER IF HE ENVISIONED SOME ROLE FOR THEM.

4. OUR TENTATIVE JUDGEMENT AT THIS POINT IS THAT PLOT, IF ONE EXISTED, STILL VERY MUCH IN TALKING STAGE AND THAT ARRESTS PROMPTED MORE BY INDISCREET TALK BY BLAIN, CHARLES, ET AL WHO NOTORICUSLY VOLUBLE THAN REAL CAPABILITY FOR ACTION. ALSO BY FACT THAT GOVT HAD NOT TAKEN DECISIVE ACTION OF THIS SORT FOR SOME TIME AND DUVALTER MAY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT TIME RIPE TO REMIND DISSIDENTS THAT HE STILL IN SADDLE.

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- EVMEND HQS AND EC, HQS MAY WISH CONSIDER FLOATING FRAYNE'S WAME AS PERSONAL FRIEND OF GILBRIDE FROM SAIGON WHO RECENTLY ARRIVED LUGOLD OFFICER BUT PROBABLY WILLING PASS ON PRIVATELY ANY WORD FROM BC. THIS PLOY USEFUL IN SMOKING OUT EVMENDAL WILLINGNESS IDERTIFY BC OPERATIVES, WHILE LEAVING FRAYNE FREE TO DISAVOW IN EVERT CIRCUMSTANCES ON GROUND SO DICTATE. THIS ALSO PRESUPPOSES EVMENDAL CONTINUING VIABILITY AS CHANNEL TO EVMEND ORG DESPITE RIFT WITH EVMENDAL SINCE WE SEE LITTLE VIRTUE IN OFFER OF COMMO CHANNEL BECOMING SOURCE OF FURTHER FRICTION BETWEEN VARIOUS EVMENDS.
 - 5. FILE: 36-124-25/3.

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MEMORANDUM FOR : Deputy Chief, WH/7

REFERENCE : Your request this subject

Following our receipt of information that Clemard-Joseph Charles had taken a list of requirements into the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince and asked help in filling them, WH Division sent a memorandum on 19 August 1969 to the Chief, DCS, asking that DCS's contact with Louis A. Brun (from whom Charles had received the requirements) be terminated.

The DCS New York office on 29 August 1969 sent a memorandum to Chief, DCS, which reviewed the case, noted Brun had been guilty of sloppy security, and concluded that no further requirements would be given him. This memorandum did not, however, say that contact would be terminated; in fact, it said they would continue to debrief Brun whenever he returned from a trip to Haiti. This memorandum was sent to Port-au-Prince (HTPW-1347, 17 Sept 1969).

The Station replied (Port-au-Prince 6496, 11 Oct 69) that this was not enough, that the contact should be completely severed. WH/Branch 7 officers then met with Mr. George Musulin of DCS to discuss the matter further, WH/7 officers maintaining that there was more political action hazard to this contact than the FI product justified. Musulin agreed to raise the matter with C/DCS. The result was a memorandum on 16 October 1969 from C/DCS to C/WHD which referred to the original WHD memorandum of 19 August and advised that contact with Brun has been terminated. Port-au-Prince was so informed (DIR 48277, 21 Oct 69).

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SUBJECT PLANS BY HAITIAN MILITARY OFFICER TO OVERTHROW THE DUVALIER
GOVERNMENT AND TO ESTABLISH A JUNTA

ACQ (23 OCTOBER 1969)

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WIDE VARIETY OF CONTACTS IN HAITIAN EXILE GROUPS IN EUROPE AND THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE, HIS REPORTING HAS BEEN RELIABLE. HE OBTAINED THE INFORMATION FROM ONE OF HIS CONTACTS INSIDE HAITI WHO HAS BECOME INVOLVED IN THE PLOTTING. SOURCE WAS AWARE THAT THE INFORMATION WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO OFFICIALS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

1. ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC DATE HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR THE ACTION, COL. OCTAVE C A Y A R D, COMMANDER OF THE COAST GUARD, GEN.

GERARD C O N S T A N T, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND COL. GRACIA J A C Q U E S, COMMANDER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD, ARE LAYING PLANS TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT FRANCOIS

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DUVALIER AND TO ESTABLISH THEMSELVES AS A JUNTA. THE PLOT IS BEING HEADED BY CAYARD AND IS BEING FINANCED BY CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$600,000.

- 2. IN THE ORIGINAL PLAN, THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD WAS REGARDED AS A MAJOR OBSTACLE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE PLAN AND, THEREFORE, CAYARD AND CONSTANT AGREED TO INCLUDE JACQUES IN THE JUNTA ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WAS A NECESSARY EVIL. CAYARD'S ONLY CONTACT WITH JACQUES, HOWEVER, HAS BEEN INDIRECTLY THROUGH CAPTAIN THOMAS (FNU). (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: THOMAS PROBABLY IS IDENTICAL WITH MAJOR JEAN THOMAS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD.)
- 3. BESIDES THE ASSISTANCE THE PLOTTERS HAVE OBTAINED FROM INSIDE HAITI, THEY ALSO ARE SEEKING SUPPORT FROM HAITIAN EXILES WHO ACTIVELY OPPOSE THE DUVALIER REGIME.
- 4. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: IN MID-MAY 1969, A MILITARY JUNTA, WHICH INCLUDED CAYARD AND CONSTANT, WAS BEING FORMED TO OVERTHROW THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT. AT THAT TIME, IT WAS NOT CLEAR IF THE GROUP HAD ACTUALLY APPROACHED JACQUES, BUT IT WAS THOUGHT THAT AS COMMANDER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD, HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO

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- 4. PC PERFER WHO CAPRYING BALL THIS OF IS IDEN J.
- 5. PC FEQUESTS FOLLOWING ACTION FROM EVMENDS: ESTABLISHMENT OF AST TWO-WAY COMMUNICATIONS ESTWEEN 3C AND EVMENDS HP, AND AUROPING OF DIVERSIONARY ACTION TO DISTRACT DUVALIER ATTENTION.

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- G. EVMOUNT/1 PLANNING TRIP TO NYC 2 HOVEMBER. EVMENDS VOULD CEPT HIM AS COMMO LINK TO BC BUT UNSURE HOW BC WOULD FEACT TO IXING HIM VITTING. EVMEND/1 PROPOSES TWO OTHER ALTERNATIVES FOR HTERMEDIARY, IDEMS K AND L. COULD ASCEPTAIN FROM BC BY TELEPHONE THETHER EITHER OR BOTH ABLE TRAVEL TO US ON SHORT MOTICE. EVMEND/4 TITITUDE THESE CANDIDATES NOT YET KNOWN.
- 7. MEETING SCHEDULED FOR EVMEND/I AND GILBRIDE FOR 29 CTOPER. VILL ADVISE RE EVMEND/4 AVAILABILITY 32 OCTOBER. LELAND MEETING EVMEND/4 23 OCTOBER.

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TO ARA/CAR. REPORT POLLORS:

- 4. ONE OF THE UNDERGROUND OPPOSITION CHOUPS IN HAITI IS CENTERED IN THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: LAHENS, PMU (FORMER DEPUTY, NOW IN SEMI-HIDING); COLONEL RESIDER BLAIM (HEAD OF ARMY QUARTERMASTER WAREHOUSES); COLONEL CATARD (HEAD OF THE COAST GUARD): CONSTRET, FRU (CRIEF OF STAFF). THEY WISH TO CRICANIZE A JUNTA, FOLLOWING THE DEATH SE RETIREMENT OF HAITIAN PRESIDENT DUVALIER, AND EXERCISE POWER DURING TRANSITION FERIOD. FULLCHING TRANSITION PERIOD, THIS GROUP WISHES TO HAVE PRESE ELECTIONS AND THEN RETIRE FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITY. LABENS WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MINISTER. BLAIM WOULD LIKE DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT. CATARD WOULD LIKE TO RETIRE TO HESCATTLE RANCH. THE GROUP HAS NO PARTICULAR CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.
- 5. THIS GROUP ALLEGES THAT IT COMMANDS WIDE SUPPORT AMONG ARMY PERSONNEL IN PORT-AU-PRINCE AND IN THE HAITIAN HINTERLAND. THE GROUP IS REPORTEDLY WILLIEG TO PORK WITE ANY

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- 6. UPTIL RECENTLY, THE PLAN OF THIS GROUP WAS TO SIT BACK, WAIT FOR INTERNAL UPBRAVALS AND THEN MOVE IN TO ASSUME POWER. THEY DID NOT WANT TO ACT ON THEIR CTH, BUT PREFERRED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AN INTERNAL UPBRAVAL CREATED BY SOMEBODY ELSE.
- 7. THE MOST RECENT RUMORS CONCERNING PRESIDENT DUVALIER'S HEALTH HAVE, HOWEVER, CAUSTO THE CHOUP TO CHANGE ITS HIND.
 THE MEMBERS NOW DECLARE THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE AND THAT AS BOOM AS PRESIDENT DUVALIER "COES ON THE OPERATING TABLE"
 THEY WILL MOVE.
- 8/ THE GROUP RECOGNIZES, HOWEVER, THAT COMBIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES LIE IN ITS PATH AND IS MOST ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS THE ENTIRE MATTER IN SECRET WITH A U.S. ENVOY. WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY TO THIS ENVOY IS NOT EXONN.
- 9. THE CHOUP HAS ORGANIZED THE POLLOWING PROCEDURE FOR THE ENYOY TO FOLLOW. PIRST, HE MUST SEED A CARLE TO THE POLLOWING CABLE ADDRESS: ETGLAND, PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI.

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"c. We wish also to point out that IDEN A, as a regular supplier of foreign intelligence on Haiti, has supplied data which originate with Haitians other than Subject, and, therefore, IDEN A is not merely Subject's mouthpiece. Specifically, IDEN B and IDEN C are two of IDEN A'S Haitian sources.

IDEN B is a well-known Haitian businessman; IDEN C is a former deputy.

- "d. We (WODISH) are not concerned with Subject, but are very much so with IDEN A. We do not believe that IDEN A is involved in any current revolutionary scheme in Haiti. We are, however, disturbed at the unprofessional way in which IDEN A handled the questions concerning foreign companies in Haiti. We did not request IDEN A to consult Subject about the requirements on foreign companies and, in view of the manner in which IDEN A handled our requirements, we shall continue only to accept information which he proffers on his return from his frequent trips to Haiti, and shall refrain from briefing him. We have requested our TOROXP customers to give us an evaluation of IDEN A's intelligence reporting. Unless this evaluation is unfavorable, we shall continue to exploit IDEN A in the manner just described. Insofar as contact tetucen IDEN A and Subject is concerned, (1) we cannot prevent IDEN A from talking to Subject (or anybody else), but (2) we have never in the past and shall not in the future request that IDEN & contact Subject on behalf of WODISH.
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"d. We (WODISH) are not concerned with Subject, but are very much so with IDEN A. We do not believe that IDEN A is involved in any current revolutionary scheme in Haiti. We are, however, disturbed at the unprofessional way in which IDEN A handled the questions concerning foreign companies in Haiti. We did not request IDEN A to consult Subject about the requirements on foreign companies and, in view of the manner in which IDEM A handled our requirements, we shall continue only to accept information which he proffers on his return from his frequent trips to Baiti, and shall refrain from briefing him. We have requested our FOROMP customers to give us an evaluation of IDEN A's intelligence reporting. Unless this evaluation is unfavorable, we shall continue to exploit IDES A in the manner just described Insofar as contact tetween IDES A and Subject is concerned, (1) we cannot present IDES A from talking to Subject (or anybody else), but (2) we have never in the past and shall not in the future request that IDEM A contact Subject on behalf of WCDISH."

3. To date, the WOROEP evaluation of IDEN A's reporting has not been received. However, since WODISH has agreed to refrain from briefing IDEN A prior to any future trips he may make to Haiti, there should be no recurrence of the type of situation described in Ref C.

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TO : Director, Domestic Contact Service

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FROM : Chief, New York Field Office

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Ref: WH/7 Memoranda, 28 May 69, and 19 Aug 69, same subject

1. We have carefully considered WH/7's comments about Louis A. Brun and his relationship with Clemard Joseph Charles. We have concluded that in the matter of the nine questions concerning the activity of foreign companies in Haiti Brun has been guilty at least of sloppy security procedures and have decided to modify our relationship with him.

2. Charles has never doubted that Brun represented a channel to US government authority which he could use to supplement his contacts with members of the US Embassy staff in Port-au-Prince. Brun was originally introduced to DCS in New York City by Charles on 15 Apr 1966 (see memorandum 3Y-251-66). Until the early fall of 1967, much of our activity with Brun was devoted to arranging contacts with various elements of the US government, which Brun requested on benalf of Charles, and reporting operational information. To the best of our knowledge and belief, however, none of these contacts produced any tangible assistance to Charles's various schemes. With two exceptions, our relationship with Brun since October 1967 has been exclusively that of foreign intelligence collection. The exceptions were Charles's request for a secret meeting with a US envoy in May 1969 and an independent similar request from another group in the same month. As has been fully reported, Brun made it perfectly clear to us and to Charles and to the other group that he was acting only as a channel and that he was not actively involved or interested. We simply transmitted the requests. We wish to point out that what WH/7 calls Brun's "Lobbying" for Charles ended before October 1967. During the nearly two years in which Mitchell has dealt with Brun, the latter has never sponsored or "Lobbied" for Charles's various schemes. He has occasionally relayed information concerning them, but has told us repeatedly that he no longer wishes to be involved politically with Charles.

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- 3. We wish also to point out that Brun, as a regular supplier of foreign intelligence on Haiti, has supplied data which originate with Haitians other than Charles, and, therefore, that Brun is not merely Charles's mouthpiece. Specifically, Louis Leveque and Alfonse Lahens are two of Brun's Haitian sources. Leveque is a well-known Haitian businessman; Lahens is a former deputy.
- 4. We are not concerned with Charles, but are very much so with Brun. We do not believe that Brun is involved in any current revolutionary scheme in Haiti. We are, however, disturbed at the unprofessional way in which Brun handled the questions concerning foreign companies in Haiti. We did not request Brun to consult Charles about the requirements on foreign companies and in view of the manner in which Brun handled our requirements we shall continue only to accept information which he proffers on his return from his frequent trips to Haiti and shall refrain from briefing him. We have requested our DD/I consumers to give us an evaluation of Brun's intelligence reporting. Unless this evaluation is unfavorable, we shall continue to exploit Brun in the manner just described. Insofar as contact between Brun and Charles is concerned, (a) we cannot prevent Brun from talking to Charles (or anybody else) but (b) we have never in the past and shall not in the future request that Brun contact Charles on behalf of DCS.
 - 6. Please pass the foregoing information to Wii/7.

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File: Louis A. Brun, President

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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

Naturalized US citizen of Haitian birth, who makes frequent trips to Haiti. Source maintains close contact with Haitians in the US and with prominent business and political figures in Haiti.

- Opponents of Haitian President Francois Duvalier have formed a new political opposition group. The following are members: Colonel Cayard (Commandant of the Haitian Coast Guard); Captain Daniel (assistant to Cayard); Gerard Constant (Haitian Army Chief of Staff); Colonel Kesner Blain (in charge of Haitian Army quartermaster depots); and Colonel Gracia Jacques (Commandant of the Presidential Palace Quard). See 30-3-321/05913-69 (paragraph 2-e) and 00-B-321/14515-69 (paragraph 3) for earlier data concerning some of the members of this group.
- This group is now working with Clemard Joseph Charles and has formulated, largely under the direction of the latter, a tentative political plan for the organization of a post-Duvalier Haiti. The group is anxious to act, because some of the members, notably Daniel and Cayard, fear that they will be arrested in the not-too-distant future. The entire membership displays, however, the trait common to all Haitian opposition groups: they will not act until President Divalier dies, becomes totally incapacitated or is overthrown by somebody else. Jacques is an important addition to the group. He is completely loyal to President Davalier, but has no use for the other members of the Duvalier family. Consequently, he will play no active part unless the President in some manner disappears from the scene.
- This group still wishes to exercise power during a transitional period following President Duvalier's departure _ see 00-B-321/14515-69 (paragraph 3) 7. Charles does not want to hold any political appointment during this transition period, but plans to recover his position as the head of the Haitian Chamber of Commerce and travel abroad, to raise money for foreign economic assistance to Haiti. He plans to establish a political party, to be known as TOP (Travail,

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Ordre, Progres). Charles hopes that TOP will become one of two or three political parties in the post-Duvalier period and is convinced that TOP will win a constitutional victory at the polls and propel him to power. In the meantime, Colonel Kesner Blain will be the head of the provisional government. Blain has no long-range political ambitions. Charles and his colleagues plan a new constitution for Haiti, which will provide for a President and for a Prime Minister. The Prime Minister will exercise the effective power. Charles expects that TOP's electoral victory will make him, as TOP's leader, Prime Minister in the new constitutional government.

Reportedly, Charles recently received from the US (no additional data available) the sum of US\$230 thousand. This money is to be used to finance the overthrow of President Duvalier. I cannot confirm the accuracy of this reported gift.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Domestic Contact Service

SUBJECT: DCS Case 47540 - Contact with
Louis A. Brun/Clemard Joseph Charles

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 to Charles upon his arrival in Haiti.
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- 4. During the past three years, the WH Division has been kept advised of the contact between DCS and Brun and his relationship with Charles. We are also aware from DCS and other sources of the efforts by Brun to obtain support from the United States Government for Charles. Brun is, of course, a close collaborator of Charles and a business representative of his in New York City. Brun has contacted officials of the Department of Defense, the Department of State, and even a person with access to President Johnson on Charles' behalf. The Chief of Caribbean Affairs of the Department of State categorically told Brun in June 1967 that the United States Government was not interested in supporting the plots of Charles or anyone else against Duvalier, but this advice seems to have fallen on deaf ears. The most recent example of Brun's lobbying was in May 1969 when Brun passed on to DCS a request from Charles for a secret meeting between a U.S. envoy and a representative of the "military junta." Brun's involvement with Charles requires that he be considered a biased source of information. While some of the information Brun has obtained from Charles has been of interest, there is hardly anything that was not available through other channels and indeed, much of it was slanted.
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ACTION REQUIRED: See Paragraph 5.

- The Station would like to offer its views on the WCDISH contact, through Identity of Paragraph 1 Reference A (hereinatter IDEN), with 201-357029, as well as on the question of the requirements which 201-357029 gave LNPURE and which were forwarded to Headquarters in Reference B.
- Since IDEN has been told that his contact is with LNSHOE and since he has told 201-357029 that fact, and since 201-357029 has apparently, in his mind at least, converted that fact into contact with RVROCK, and has probably spread both stories with his associates and thereby throughout the local milieu, we have, in effect, a dangerous security situation. When we consider that the LNPURE receives all the information that 201-357029 gives IDEN anyway, and most of the time receives the information directly from 201-357029, then we have an operation that is difficult to justify.
- In the case of the requirements forwarded with Reference B, we have a situation in which WODISH levied requirements on 201-357029, through IDEN. 201-357029 then turned those requirements over to LNPURE which returned them via 201-357029 and IDEN to WCDISH. Why not cut out the middleman and the security complications, and save the headaches?
- The Station teels that the WCDISH handling of 201-357029 results in a case that has the potential of causing severe problems for AKULE, and that it could well be that AKULE will be made to bear the blame since elements within RVROCK might feel that the ultimate responsibility for supervision of the case lies with AKULE.

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5. We would appreciate obtaining Headquarters' views on our thoughts as expressed above as well as on what seems to be a contradiction between Reference A, paragraph 2 and the evidence presented in Reference B Attachment. It appears unlikely to us that IDEN could have typed the Attachment.

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REMORANDUM FOR : Director, Domestic Contact Service

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ATTENTION : Nr. Geor

: Mr. George S. Musulin

SUBJECT: DCS Case 47540 - Request by Haltian
Opposition Group for Secret Interview
with U.S. Official

1. This memorandum will serve to confirm the telephone conversations between your office and the Chief of the Esiti

Desk on 15 and 27 May 1969 concerning the request made through Mr. Louis A. Brun on the above subject. During these conversations, your office was advised that the VH Division has no interest in contacting any representative or member of the plotting group.

2. The VH Division considers Clemard Joseph Charles to be a perennial anti-Davalier plotter in Port au Prince with little means or following to carry out his anti-government designs. During the week of 11 May 1969, Charles approached the Embassy in Port au Prince with basically the same information as relayed to the DCS office in New York by Mr. Brun. The only difference was that he did not request that a U.S. Government official make contact with the internal group, but rather that the Embassy provide some assurance that the U.S. Covernment would look benevolently on the group once the coup was launched. The Embassy replied that the U.S. Government had a firm policy not to intervene in such

3. Since 1967, Charles has made similar overtures to the U.S. Government for support of his anti-government plans. When reviewing these approaches, there has always been some doubt as to the accuracy of the information that Charles (or Brun) has furnished. While it was accepted that Charles was actually plotting against Duvalier, it could never be determined if he was actually a member of the plotting group, which usually included members of the Haitian Army, or if Charles had simply become aware of an anti-Duvalier plot and was trying to act as a broker between the plotters and the

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- 5. As was mentioned in the VE/7 memorandum dated 16 July 1968, we do not interpose any objection to DCS maintaining contact with Brun for its own purposes. However, we lest that in the interests of security and also in conformance with U.S. policy, that Brun should clearly understand that we have no interest in establishing contact with any member of the internal group through his channel and further that the U.S. Government has no interest in becoming involved in any nationalier activities.

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2. CHAPLES HAS REQUESTED THAT "THE PENTAGON" (SPECIFICALLY, HIS FORMER INTERMEDIARY, COLONEL HOWARD BURRED) DISPATOR A SECRET ENVOY TO TALK TO HIM. HE LAYS DOWN NO MODIIS OPERALDI FOR THE ENVOY AND PRESUMARLY WILL TALK TO HIM IN PORT-AM-PRINCE. THIS REQUEST HAS SEEN LARELED "UPGENT".

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 CHEAD OF ARMY QUARTERWASTER MARRYONSES): COLONEL CAYARD BET CAYARD
 TOHEAD OF THE COAST GUARD): FUN COMSTANT PRI CONSIGNT (C ISF OF STAFF).
 THEY VISH-TO ORGANIZE A JUNTA, FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF RETIREMENT
 OF MAITIAM PRESIDENT DUVALIER, AND EXERCISE FOWER LUMING A TRANSITION
 FERIOD. FOLLOWING THE TRANSITION PERIOD, THIS GROUP MISHES TO MANE
 FREE ELECTIONS AND THEM PETINE FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITY. LAWENS MOULD
 LIKE TO RECOME A MINISTER. BLAIM MOULD LIKE A DIFFORATIC APPOINTMENT.
 CAYARD MOULD LIKE TO RETIRE TO HIS CATTLE RANCH. THE SPOUP MAG NO
 PARTICULAR CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.
- 2. THIS GROUP ALLEGES THAT IT COMMANDS WIDE SUPPORT ARMY ARMY PROSERVED IN THE HAITIAN HINTEPLAND.

 THE GROUP IS REPORTEDLY WILLIES TO MORE WITH ANY CTHER OPPOSITION OF THAT TOWN THE COMMUNICIES BUT IT DOES NOT WANT TO APPEAD PUPLICLY REVOLUTION THE US OF TO ANY CTHER MORE PAITIAN POWER.
- THITL RECENTLY, THE PLAN OF THIS COUP WAS TO SIT BACK, WAIT FOR INTERNAL UPHEAVALS AND THEN HOUR IN TO ASSUME POWER. THEY BID NOT MANT TO ACT ON THEIR CAN, BUT PREFERRED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF T

AN INTERNAL HOWEAVAL CREATED BY SOMETORY THEE.

- A. THE MOST PECENT PHYSOS CONCERVING PRESIDENT DIVALIER'S HEALTH MAVE, MOMENTE, CAUSED THE GROUP TO CHANGE IES MIND. THE MEMPERS MOM DECLARE THAT TIME IS OF THE ESCENCE AND THAT AS COIN AS PRESIDENT DIVALIER TODES ON THE OFERATING TABLE" THEY WILL MOVE.
- 5. THE STOUP RECOGNIZES, HOWEVER, THE CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES LIE IN ITS PATH AND IS NOST ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS THE ENTIRE MATTER IN SECRET WITH A US ENVOY. WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY TO THIS EXHOW IS NOT KNOWN.
- 6. THE GROUP HAS GREATIZED THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE FOR THE ENVOY TO FOLLOW. FIRST, HE WEST SEND A GARLE TO THE FOLLOWING CARLE ADDRESS: STSLAMAS, POST-AU-PRINCE, HAITI. THE CARLE MUST SEAD AS EFOLLOWS: "ARRIVING ON CLIST BATE) TO DISCUSS HE SIGAL BOAL. PLEASE RESERVE A ROOM FOR ME AT THE SAME SOUCH MOTTL." THE MANE SIGNED TO THE CARLE DOES NOT MATTER. THE CARLE ADDRESS IS THAT OF ESTABLISHMENTS THAT ARE SHELD AS CO., PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI. SECOND, HE MUST HESISTED THAT THE GAME SOUCH AND ARRIT A CALL OR VISIT FROM A MAN NAMED EPOARD BONG RPT BONG. BONG IS KESTMED BLAIM'S RESTHED. THE CRISTMAL FAMILY NAME IS "BONG" BLAIM CHANGED HIS NAME. BONG MILL EITHER TAKE THE ENMOY TO TALK TO CONSTANT OR WILL INFORM HIM OF ADDRESSENT MADE FOR THE MYSTERVIEW. THE ONLY PERSONS PRESENT AT THE INTERMISEM WILL BE CONSTANT AND THE EMMOY. THIRD, WHEN THE ENMOY WESTO CONSTANT HE MUST ESTABLISH HIS BONG FIDES OPP PONA FIDES OY SAYING: "I MAY REEN SENT
 - 7. IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, BUT NOT MANDATORY, IF THE SECRET US

ENVOY WAS APLE TO SPEAK FRENCH

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- .1. As part of his effort to obtain foreign exchange, Haiti's President Dryalier has decided to award a gambling concession. A US syndicate, consisting of a New York City firm, Reynote Associates, and of Count Michel Levitch, History of the American Cribodox Church, has been trying to obtain the concession. Collector's Note: see reference for additional details. 7.
- 2. The Bishop has severed his connections with Keynote, which bombarded President Davalier with telegrams and made an unannounced trip to Eaiti to obtain the concession.
- , Reynote received a telegram from Antonic Andre, Director of the Benk of the Republic of Baiti. This message informed them that they would not receive the concession. President Duvalier relies very heavily upon Amiré for advice and guidance in economic matters.
- 4. Almost at the same time that Keynote received André's telegram, Clement Joseph-Charles notified the Rishop that he would receive the concession on the following terms:
 - a. A new group of associates of the Hishop will receive 80 percent of the gross receipts from the concession.
 - b. The Covernment of Eaiti will receive 10 percent of the gross receipts.
 - c. The Bishop and his chief partner will receive five percent of the gross receipts.

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- d. The remaining five percent of the gross receipts will be used by the Rishop, reportedly under Faitian supervision, to begin construction of schools and child care centers in Faiti. These schools and centers will be under the auspices of the American Orthodox Church.
- 5. Joseph-Charles's suthorship of the telegram which virtually prumised the concession to the new group indicates that his furtures may be on the mend. He certainly could never have sent such a message without the approval of President Duvalier. That he was permitted to send it indicates that the President may be beginning to look upon him more favorably than he has done in the recent past.

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Naturalized US citizen of Haitian birth, who makes frequent trips to Haiti. Source maintains close contact with Haitians in the WS and with prominent business and political figures in Haiti.

- 1. During recent weeks, the fortunes of Clemand Joseph-Charles seem to have improved. He has been playing a not unimportant role in the sward of the Haitian gambling concession /Collector's Note: see reference. , an activity which is designed to bring to maiti some badly-needed foreign exchange. Although I do not believe that he sees President Durelier as frequently as he used to prior to his incarceration, he does seem to have recovered some of the confidence which the President used to repose in him.
- 2. One reason for President Duvalier's dislike of Charles (and one possible reason why the President eventually threw him in jail) is that Charles was instrumental in bringing about the marriage of the President's daughter, Marie-Denise Duvalier, to Colonel Max Dominique. Grarles and Marie-Denise have been close friends for many years. Marie-Denise became pregnant by Dominique and went to Charles for help. Charles then intervened with President Duvalier, who was furious, and persuaded him to agree to the marriage. The President was bitterly angry at Dominique and somewhat unjustly blazed tharles for the marriage. He agreed to the necessity for the wedding, but resented his new son-in-law and, by association, so to speak, resented Charles. The President and Deminique have formally reconciled. The President met Colonel Dominique at the airport, when the latter returned to Haiti, and made a point of inviting his son-in-law to ride in the presidential limousine from the airport to the palace. The purpose was to demonstrate the burial of old grudges. It remains to be seen, however, whether or not the reconciliation was genuine and whether or not the President has really forgiven his son-in-lav.

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Luc-Albert Forcerd, Haitian Minister of Tourism, is now in political, if not personal, eclipse. He no longer goes to his office. The New York City manager of the Haitian Tourist Bureau, Jean Sorel, is in Haiti and is acting in Foucard's steed. Ramah Theodore, Deputy Director of Tourism, is amiable and is a friend of President Duvalier. He is, however, of little stature and is not capable of doing anything more than the routine daily chores of the office. Foucard cannot afford to call attention to himself, because he is fearful for the physical safety of his sister, Madame Saint-Wictor. President Davalier recently dismissed her as his personal secretary and replaced her with his daughter, wife of Colonel Max Dominique. Since then, rumors have abounced that Mademe Saint-Victor may be marked for physical liquidation /Collector's Note: see reference. J. Whether or not these rumors have any foundation in fact, there is no doubt that the members of the Poucard family (i e, Luc-Albert, Madame Saint-Victor and their sister, Madame Bella Poucard Poitvien) have all made themselves as inconspicuous as possible. The President's change in secretaries has led to a diminution of the power and influence of the Foucard clan.

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Memorandum

Director, Domestic Contact Service: International Division (GAlyea) Attn

FROM : Chief, Friladelphia Office

PSI-457-65 DATE: 24 December 1968

SUBJECT: Letters From Clemard Charles, Haiti, to US Officials and Businessmen

Ref : Phil 00-3-321/36501-68 dated 17 Dec 68

1. Attached for your information are letters from Clemard Joseph Charles addressed to Vice President Eubert H. Europrey and President-elect Richard Mixon. These letters were received in person from Charles, in Eaiti, by Donald E. Rowe, source of reference, and brought to the US by the latter. The letters have not been delivered as of this date. Rove plans to ask the New Jersey Third District Member of the US House of Representatives to deliver them.

2. In addition to the correspondence referred to above, Rove also received letters of introduction from Charles to:

> Howard L. Burris (telieved to be a lawyer) Suite 101, RCA Building 1725 K. Street, E.W. Washington, D.C. 20006

Mr. A. H. Incledon, Vice President J. G. white Engineering Corp. 80 Broad Street New York, N. Y. 10004

Monsieur Albert J. Krieger (believed to be an accountant and business acquaintance of Charles) 401 Broadway New York, N. Y. 10013

Mr. Herran Albert Miller (an accountant) 230 W. 41st Street New York, N. Y. 10036

Mr. N. V. Rosello (an old friend and very reliable acquaintance of Charles) Export Credit Western Hemisphere Corp. 477 Madison Avenue

New York, N. Y. 10022

The addressees are individuals from whom Charles is seeking financial assistance.

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HARTE COMMERCIALE D'HAIT!

In President

Port-cu-Prince, le 8 Nevembre 1968

Excellence,

Vous n'ignores pen l'intérêt avec lequel j'ai suivi les étapes de la compagne électorale qui devait aboutir su Triompie de votre Carpétiteur Républicain aux élections présidentielles Anéricaines.

Your le cavec, à n'on pes douter, que j'ai nouhaité de teut coeur Votre propre Tricaphe. Je le croyane irrécistible.

Tous eves fait do votre sieux, sais Voma eves pordu.

One pouvier-four faire? Les cares sontent qu'il y a qualque chors qu'on no pout écarter par des nots ou des votes - une ceinture qui enserre le monde.

> * Tout es qui a ôts décidé arrivora. La volenté indiais et supérieure de Dieu no peut pas être transpressée.

Cortes, pour attoindre l'objet de vos aspirations, Your Your Stor hourté à des bornes innumbles. Your Your Stor chilomé de l'espoir de bousculer les faits et les hourses.

Après maintes expériences Yous converes que depuis le départ la victoire constituait pratiquement une majoure, et qu'il fellait commencer plus têts c'est dire que le monde est régi par des lois.

Faintenant que le rideau est tiré, le prende plaisir à formuler des voeux pour que se maintienne intact le courage cagnifique dont Yous aves fait prouve tout au long de Votre campagne électers-

Jo main, pour répâter le Président JOHNEER, que "Your continueres à servir l'Amérique aussi langtomps que Vous vivres".

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LANGUE TOMMERCIALE D'HAITS Le Trésident Je Vous prio, amcellence, de recevoir l'expression de mes hammiges respectueux, et en même temps Vous accurrer de mes sentiments indé-fectibles d'attachement et d'admiration. Cleming Justic Chilippings CIC/pal SCS EXCLUSIVE L'EDMORGLE LOTTER H. HOPETEY VICZ-PIENIDAY DIS SOME-CHIS D'AMMILIO tachinomen, D.C.

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Lo Grésiglent

Port-cu-Prince, le 8 fovembre 1963

Monsieur lo Président Elu,

J'ai cuivi, comme tous les haitiens d'ailleurs, les élections précidentielles haéricaines qui constituent toujeurs un événement international de première importance.

In offet, le londe entier a enregiatré les différentes places de la compagne électorale qui devoit aboutir à Votre la vênement à la Présidence des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.

Un vent de renouveau souffle sur l'Amérique consciente de Sa ferce et de Sen rayennement dans le Rende.

Vous jeuissez, Lensieur le Prisident Elu, d'un prestige incontecté.

Jo suis done certain que, sous Votre Administration, les Etate-Unis d'Amérique, avec le prestige que lui donnent Son passé incomparable et ses grandes ressources tant humaines qu'économiques, souront remplir sa vocation de Londership du Honde hibre et se place de presier plan parai les autres l'ations du Globe qui compirent ardement après un monde pacifique et plus humain.

C'est le nouhait que jo forme à l'occasion de Vetre Sriemple eux élections présidentielles Américaines.

Fonsiour le Frésident Ilu, cos vocux sincères pour Votre Bonhaur perconnel et la prespérité du peuple Américain.

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