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ENCOUNTER UNDER THIS SITUATION, WE FEEL, WOULD NOT PERMIT
RELAXED EXCHANGE BETWEEN SAMKO AND AMAUTO-1. WE WOULD
LIKE TO SUGGEST FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVE:

A. ON ARRIVAL SPAIN VIA AERONAVES DE MEXICO
FLIGHT 450 LEAVING MIAMI FRIDAY SAMKO WOULD GO DIRECTLY
TO MOTEL OF STATION SELECTION. STATION OFFICER WILL ALSO
OCCUPY HOTEL IN ALIAS AND INITIAL CONTACT WITH SAMKO WILL
BE MADE IN HOTEL. (INCIDENTALLY, BELIEVE NO NEED
PACHANKIS ACCOMPANY SAMKO TO MADRID.)

B. EARLY SUNDAY AFTERNOON SAMKO WOULD GO DIRECTLY
TO AMAUTO-1'S PRIVATE RESIDENCE. HIS EXCUSE WILL BE
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EMBASSY WOULD BE CLOSED. IN ADDITION, SINCE SAMKO SCHEDULED TOUR OF MADRID AND SUBURBS STAVING EARLY TO LAY MURNING DECIDED MAKE REFORT CONTACT AMAUTO-1 AT ROSE RATHER THAN POSSIBLY MISS OPPORTUNITY TO SEE HIM. CSAINS WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO SIGN UP FOR TOUR OF CITY TO LEMB AUTHENTICITY TO STORY.) SAMKO WILL HAVE TO BE PREPARED MEPLY TO INEVITABLE QUESTION FROM AMAUTO-1: WOW DID YOU FIND MY ADDRESS! SAMKO'S REPLY WOULD BE THAT HE OM AINED ADDRESS FROM IBERIA EMPLOYEE AT AIRPORT #HO SEENT CONSIDERABLE TIME TRYING TO LOCATE AMANTO-1 RESIDENCE. CADURESS APPEARS IN DIPLIST AVAILABLE CVERTLY.) SAMES WOULD FURTHER EXPLAIN, IF NECESSARY, I HAT HE DID NOT KNOW HOW EMPLOYEE GOT AUDRESS, BUT KNOWS SME MADE NUMBER OF TELEPHONE CALLS. WE CANNOT PREDICT AMAUTO-1'S REACTION TO THIS DIFECT APPROACH. HE MIGHT QLAIM PRESS OF FUSINESS OR OTHER COMMITMENTS THEREBY PERUSING SEE SAMIKO IN HOME BUT MIGHT SUGGEST THAT SAMKO VISIT EMBASSY MORDAY MORNING. JAMAN SHOULD BE PREPARED TO CAY THAT IS THIS ASSET NOT EMBARA ASS AMAUTO-1 HE FORD GLADLY PANCEL TOUR AND GO. TO USE STANDARD LINE

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C. AMAUTO-1'S PROBABLE SECOND QUESTION: HOW DID SAM KO KNOW HE WAS IN MADRID? REQUIRES MORE THOUGHT AND HELP FROM MIAMI. IDEALLY, SAMKO SHOULD BE ABLE SAY THAT A MUTUAL FRIEND OF BOTH AMAUTO-1 AND SAMKO WERE TOGETHER RECENTLY IN MIAMI AND AMAUTO-1'S NAME MENTIONED. SAMKO ASKED WHAT HAPPENED TO AMAUTO-1 AND FRIEND DISCLOSED THAT (IN 085476) AMAUTO-1 NOW "AMBASSADOR" TO SPAIN. (SUBJECT WH/MIAMIA 7595 MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE "FRIEND" WHOSE NAME SAMKO MIGHT USE. STATION SUGGESTS THAT CONTACT BE MADE WITH SUBJECT IN LOS ANGLELES TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE KNOWS WHERE AMAUTO-1 IS. ALSO OBTAIN PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION, OCCUPATION IN LA AND PRIOR JOB IN MIAMI PLUS OTHER NOTABLE CHARACTERISTICS WHICH COULD BE USED AS FILLER BY SAMKO TO SHOW THAT POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP EXISTED BETWEEN AMAUTO-1'S COUSIN AND SAMKO.) IN ADDITON, SUGGEST

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2. LINE SAMKO WOULD TAKE AFTER FOOT IN DOOR SHOULD
BE THOROUGHLY REHEARSED IN MIAMI BEFORE ARRIVAL MADRID
BECAUSE OF DI- ELEMENTA MIAMI SHOULD
CABLE WHAT SPECIFIC
INSTRUCTIONS ARE GIVEN TO SAMKO SO THAT STATION OFFICER
COMPLETELY AWARE OF HOW SAMKO IS TO CONDUCT HIMSELF.

- 3. IN VIEW DESIRE TO INITIATE CONTACT BEFORE AMAUTO-1'S JUNE DEPARTURE SUGGEST CONTACT ABOVE PERSONS ASAP.
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SUBJECT PROTESTS BY CUBAN EMBASSY IN SPAIN OVER ALLEGED ATTACKS ON CUBAN OFFICIALS

SPAIN, MADRID (EARLY MAY 1970) ACQ

FIELD NO. OSM 10026

SOURCE AN OFFICIAL SPANISH SERVICE; FROM A SOURCE DESCRIBED AS SENSITIVE AND USUALLY RELIABLE.

> 1. IN EARLY MAY 1970, THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN MADRID PREPARED A PROTEST NOTE TO THE SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY OVER AN INCIDENT WHICH OCCURRED AT THE BARAJAS AIRPORT IN MADRID BETWEEN CUBAN REFUGEES AND CUBAN OFFICIALS, IN WHICH BLOWS WERE EXCHANGED. ACCORDING TO MINISTER GUILLERMO R U I Z, CUBAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, THE EMBASSY WILL CHARGE THAT SIX FUNCTIONARIES AND FOUR DIPLOMATIC COURIERS FROM HAVANA WERE PHYSICALLY ATTACKED ON 4 MAY AT THE AIRPORT BY DISAFFECTED CUBANS, ALL RESIDENTS OF SPAIN. THE NOTE STATED THAT "THIS COWARDLY AND UNJUSTIFIABLE AGGRESSION" ENDANGERED DIPLOMATIC

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DOCUMENTS AND COULD NOT BE CONSIDERED AN ISOLATED ACT BUT THE CONSEQUENCE OF REPEATED PROVOCATIONS AT BARAJAS, SPANISH AUTHORITIES WERE ASKED TO PREVENT A REPETITION OF THESE INCIDENTS.

- WHO WAS AN EYEWITNESS TO THE 4 MAY INCIDENT, THE CROWD INCLUDED 23 MEMBERS OF THE CUBAN EMBASSY AND A NUMBER OF CUBAN EXPATRIATES MEETING AN IBERIA FLIGHT FROM HAVANA WHICH WAS CARRYING 75 CUBAN OFFICIALS AND 30 CUBAN REFUGEES. MAXIMO TORRES, FORMER MAYOR OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA AND A MAN OF OVER 60 YEARS OF AGE, ADDRESSED ONE OF THE ARRIVING CUBAN OFFICIALS, MISTAKING HIM FOR A REFUGEE. THE OFFICIAL REBUFFAD HIM RUDELY AND A GENERAL ARGUMENT ENSUED AND BLOWS WERE EXCHANGED. HORACIO F U E N T E S MARTINEZ, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE CUBAN EMBASSY, JUMPED FROM A NEARBY CAR AND PISTOL-WHIPPED ONE OF THE REFUGZES. AFTER THE POLICE ARRIVED, TORRES AND HIS WIFE NEEDED MEDICAL ATTENTION.)
- 3. ON 6 MAY, ROBERTO F R A N C O OLIVA, CUBAN CONSUL IN MADRID, COMPLAINED TO A SPANISH POLICE INSPECTOR CONCERNING THE INCIDENT AT THE AIRPORT AS FOLLOWS:
- A. THE SCENE AT THE AIRPORT HAD BEEN PREPARED BY THE U.S. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA) AND "COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES." THE INSPECTOR REPLIED TO THIS THAT SPANISH AUTHORITIES WERE SECRET NO FOREIGN DISSEM/CONTROLLED DISSEM

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INVESTIGATING AND WOULD GIVE CUBAN OFFICIALS THE PROTECTION IN SPAIN WHICH THEY SHOULD HAVE. HE SAID THAT THREE CUBAN REFUGEES HAD BEEN ARRESTED AND WOULD BE DEPORTED TO FRANCE. FOR THEIR PART, THE REFUGEES HAD SAID THAT HORACIO FUENTES HAD PULLED OUT A GUN DURING THE FIGHT, A CHARGE WHICH FRANCO DENIED AT LENGTH.

- B. MANY OTHER ATTACKS HAVE BEEN SUFFERED BY CUBAN OFFICIALS AT THE AIRPORT AND DAMAGE DONE TO THEIR PARKED CARS.
- C. WHEN CUBAN SEAMEN ARE ARRESTED BY THE SPANISH POLICE IN THE CANARY ISLANDS THEY ARE INTERROGATED SEPARATELY IN THE POLICE STATION BY AN AGENT OF THE CIA WHO IS A CUBAN "GUSANO" (TURNCOAT).
- D. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SPANISH REPUBLICANS AND SPANISH COMMUNISTS IN CUBA, THE SPANISH EMBASSY IN HAVANA IS NEVER MOLESTED.
- E. FRANCO IS PREPARED TO ADVISE CUBAN PASSENGERS COMING TO SPAIN TO CARRY RAZORS FOR SELF DEFENSE. CUBAN OFFICIALS, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO GO TO THE AIRPORT, SHOULD APPLY FOR LICENSES TO CARRY PISTOLS.
- 4. (FIELD COMMENT: ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL SPANISH SERVICE, CUBAN DIPLOMATS MAY APPLY FOR GEN PERMITS TO THE SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND WOULD PROBABLY RECEIVE PERMISSION. NON-DIPLOMATIC CUBANS MUST APPLY TO THE DIRECTORATE GENERAY OF

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- 1. The following information about Subject's trip to Spain and her activities while here was obtained from QUTIMID and QUDCZE.
- Subject arrived in Madrid on 10 February 1970. traveled to Barcelona during the week of 23 February and returned to Madrid 6 March whereupon she then left for Portugal. She returned to Madrid on 17 March and waited for Guillerno E U I Z Perez' return from the Spanish/Cuban Commercial negotiations in Cuba. Sonia departed Madrid for Cuba on 27 March 1970. It appears that she intended to travel to Vienna, Austria bext, since several cables were sent to Vienna from Madrid advising Sonia's travel status. During her stay in Spain, Sonia was in frequent contact with one Jose Agustin G O Y T I S O L O , Spanish writer in Barcelona, telephone 228-4063 (Station traces are OSBA 02385, 17 February 1965; OSBA 02718, 11 August 1967; and OSBA 02795, 1 March 1968). She was not known to have been in contact with any other locals and what little time she had for diversion she spent with the mission officers and their wives.

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- 3. The purpose of Sonia's trip to Madrid was to discuss the 1970 work plan for the Embassy with the Charge, Guillermo RUIZ Perez. She also talked with the various Embassy officials, most probably to familiarize herself with their duties and to see if they had any problems. She pitched in and helped with the backlogged work of Orestes BARREDA and Horacio FUENTES and also helped with the cultural activities. For instance, she sent two cables to MINREX one regarding the forwarding of movie posters for a March exhibit and another regarding the forwarding of a Cuban stamp exhibition by end March.
- 4. In their discussion of the 1970 work plan Sonia told RUIZ that they were going to plan the February, March, and April quarter. She showed him "an agenda for the control of planned and unplanned activities" and the general directives of the plan which included scientific information and political information, with specific directives (requirements) for Spain. RUIZ has to prepare for Havans 2 monthly report, then a quarterly summary, of the activities accomplished. Eased on these reports the activities of the following quarter will be planned.
  - a. In line with the plan of scientific information, Sonia and RUIZ discussed the pros and cons of a Comite Cientifico-Tecnico which is to be set up in Madrid. RUIZ was of the opinion that the local (Spanish) Communist Party would try to infiltrate it and this would bring problems to the Embassy. Sonia pointed out the successes encountered in Switzerland and Sweden with such a committee even though at first there were problems which were later overcome.
  - b. Sonia showed RUIZ a commercial project which she plauned to take to Portugal and asked him to read it because it was also of interest to the Cuban mission in Spain.
  - c. Sonia mentioned that the Plan of Information was still to be completed especially in the priority categories of livestock and economy.
  - d. They turned next to the topic of the budget. Sonia said that the budget for each mission had to be submitted before the end of April (every year) and no additional expenditures could be submitted for approval during the course of the year. Spain, Canada, and France, however, would be treated individually. Their special needs, such as acquisition of more office space, raises in cost of living allowances, etc., would be taken into consideration at any time.

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- 5. During their various discussions RUIZ aired his complaint about the Visa Department in Havana saying that the department was practically worthless and that last year 76 cables regarding visas remained unanswered. Sonia defended the Ministry saying that it had a lot of work to do, but RUIZ replied that they wanted to work only 8 hours a day. They also discussed the scholarship situation. It seems that during an interview between PRIETO (Probably Jose PRIETO Renitez, Director of Foreign Relations of the DAP) and the Minister of Public Works, PRIETO was asked to provide a list of scholarship candidates to be considered and he had none. Sonia mentioned that in Belgium they also lost four scholarships because of this same reason.
- 6. According to QUTIMID Sonia G O M E Z Aragon is married to one Miguel (LNU) and has a daughter pased Hisus. Sonia's mother is still living although appeared to be very ill at the time Sonia left for her trip to Madrid because Sonia cabled at least twice to Havana inquiring about the status of her mother's health. (TYLOTE reported that Sonia's home phone number in Havana is 7-4263.) Perhaps Headquarters can determine the full name of her husband by checking the reverse telephone listings. Sonia is attractive, intelligent, sertious-minded and reserved. The last time she visited Spain she stayed with Vera B O R O D O W S K I and was on the same type of mission as the present one to discuss the Madrid Embassy's work plan. She also visited the Barcelona Consulate and the Cuban Embassy in Lisbon.

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Orestes Guillermo RUIZ Perez (201-735296) file

Since Headquarters has recently prepared an extensive analysis on RUIS for the information of addressees, an additional review has been omitted. However, the attached biographic study should be useful.

#### 30 April 1970

NAME:

Orestes Guillermo RUIZ Perez (201-735296) (NOTE: A comprehensive study/analysis on RUIZ was prepared in February 1970, see OSMW-11726.)

ALIAS:

Also uses Guillermo RUIZ Perez

DPOB:

10 February 1930, Havana

PRESENT

POSITION:

Minister, Charge d'Affaires, Cuban Embassy,

Madrid, since December 1967.

WIFE:

Nilda VECIANA Lopez (DPOB: 26 December 1934,

Havana)

CHILDREN:

Five sons, and a sixth child due to be born April/May 1970, Guillermo, the oldest, in school in Cuba. Alejandro, Julio, Juan Carlos and Ivan with their parents in

Madrid.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

White, variously described as 5'5" - 5'7" tall, and 170-190 pounds, stout build; round face, fair complexion, blond slightly wavy hair, light-colored eyes (also reported as blue and green), wears glasses. No visible identifying marks. Well dressed.

PERSONALITY:

Perhaps a relative's description of RUIZ sums up his personality - "a man of many moods." He has variously been described as intelligent, mentally alert, competent, hardworking, and respected by his subordinates. Pleasant, easy going, nervous, quick-tempered, brusque but sincere, opinionated, strong-minded idealistic, self-confident. Has basic emotional instability, gives impression of being insecure in his position. At times sarcastic, indifferent, egotistical, cynical, serious, ungrateful and cold, who, paradoxically, appears friendly to some people. Outspoken, compulsive talker, articulate,

limited vocabulary, swears a good deal.

He can turn on considerable charm, where motivated. In contrast to his pleasant public image and acceptable language, private conversation is vulgar, swears continually and flies into rages.

Likes good living and spends money where it shows. Avid reader, keeps abreast of world events, shows willingness to accept whatever he deems to be good or useful from the outside world. Concerned with the image and prestige of Cuba in Spain. Emotionally committed to an ideal. An AMEDIT study summed RUIZ up as a realist. He speaks English and French. His wife, a teacher, always worked before going to Spain, and there works as a secretary and bookkeeper at the Embassy on an informal basis. Appears intelligent, competent, outspoken but solicitious and affectionate with her husband; interested in, and encourages him in his work. Appears to support the regime, but not a fanatic. RUIZ is the dominant personality of the

One reference states that he went to work at age 14, which suggests lack of formal education.

In 1960 as an employee of the Ministry of the Treasury, selected the ministry

of the Treasury, selected to attend a statistics course offered by CEPAL, which lasted two years.

One relative reported he completed elementary education at "Hermanos Maristas" school in Havana; did not know whether he attended high school, but said in early days of the Castro regime attended the University of

EDUCATION:

Havana.

Another relative said his primary and secondary education was received in private institutions, and that he has a degree in "political economics" from the University of Hayana.

He is well versed in world affairs and has an understanding of international trade.

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS:

Vice Minister, MINCEX, 1964-1967.

Commercial Counselor, Cuban Embassy, Mexico City. Although he was accredited to that position in December 1963, travel indicates he was in Mexico from August 1963 to May 1964. Other references indicate he was in that position in September 1963.

Ministry of the Treasury. In April 1962 he was Chief of the Department of Construction Expenses Studies, Office of Financial Statistics of that ministry. He was with the ministry as early as 1960, when he was selected to attend the statistics course.

During the Batista regime he was in exile. Came to the U.S. sometime in the 1950's and apparently remained for some time before he left in February 1957, when, according to some reports, he entered Cuba clandestinely. Also reported to have been in exile in Mexico.

LNYUMA records show he came to U.S. on 8 November 1956 to see his brother, left 17 November for the Dominican Republic where he received five months military training. Returned to the





U.S. 5 April 1957, overstayed his time, and on 11 February 1958 was ordered deported; claimed he would be killed if he returned to Cuba and did not show for deportation. Subsequent investigation showed he was in Cuba as of 2 March.

POLITICAL ATTITUDE:

A member of the Cuban Communist
Party, admitted on the recommendation
of Armando HART Davalos, Secretary
of Organization. Although he has
been described as a militant Communist,
a convinced supporter of the Castro
regime and a fanatic Fidelista, there
is evidence to dispute this image.
An analysis of available information
indicates that he is not a convinced
Marxist, he cannot accept Party
discipline, and that his character
is basically incompatible with the
system he serves.

His father is reported to be an oldguard Communist and a leader of the barber's union. A brother reported to be a member of DSE in 1946.

He expressed dissatisfaction with his position as a diplomat, feels his talents are wasted and would like a position in commerce or industry, where he considers he could better serve the revolution. Has criticized the bureaucracy and inefficiency in the government in Havana.

He has said that many Cuban diplomats want to stay out of Cuba, but it seemed to him that the Cuban government wanted to keep him (RUIZ) out of the way (i.e., outside Cuba). That LEON had appointed him, supported him, and they are good friends, but that he (RUIZ) does not like to work with a man who one does not get to know, nor to know what he is thinking. He said he felt as if he were in Miami.

## INTELLIGENCE CONNECTIONS:

In May 1964 AMNUG-1 reported RUIZ was a DGI case officer in Mexico for operations targetted against "some nearby area," and later identified his photograph as DGI member in Mexico.

In 1961 an emigre said RUIZ, with the Finance Ministry, was a Communist and G-2.

AMTIKI-1 said a letter from a friend in Cuba stated that RUIZ, then in Mexico, was a member of G-2, sent to try to infiltrate counterrevolutionary groups (1963).

In April 1968, RUIZ advised Aristides DIAZ Rovirosa on the use of disguises, the need to "live secretly" and commented on DIAZ' being "already clandestine."

The Cuban Ambassador to Geneva, in 1968, commented on RUIZ' refusal to accept DGI dominance of the Cuban Embassy, Madrid. (AMDELAY-1). In July 1969, AMBEDEW-1 said RUIZ was very dictatorial in his dealings with DGI officers.

Not much is known of his contacts in Madrid, other than official. Is in touch with Ahmed LAIDI, Algerian Ambassador; Manuel TELLO Troncoso, Counselor of Chilean Embassy, Madrid; Alexandru PETRESCU, Romanian Minister to Spain and Carlos CARRASCO Munoz de Vera, a lawyer and personal friend.

## CONTACTS:

#### TRAVELS:

1963: Aug. To Mexico

22 Nov. Mexico-Cuba

29 Nov. Cuba-Mexico

8 Dec. Cuba-Mexico

1964: 21 May. Mexico-Cuba

1967: 13 Dec. Cuba-Spain

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16 Jan. Netherlands-Spain

27 July Spain-France

31 July France-Spain

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29 Aug. Cuba-Spain

21 Nov. Spain-Cuba

10 Dec. Cuba-Spain

1969: 27 Feb. France-Spain

27 Feb. Spain-Dominican Republic

11 Mar. Spain-Switzerland

4 Aug. Spain-Cuba

17 Sept. Cuba-Spain (via French

West Indies, Azores)

10 Oct. Spain-Cuba

29 Oct. Cuba-Spain

14 Nov. Spain-UK

16 Nov. UK-Spain

28-30 Nov. Two-day trip by auto to San Sebastian and Burgos

6 Jan 70. To Italy, returning by auto.

Also claims to have been in North Victnam as a member of a trade mission (QUDOZE).

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It appears that RUIZ might well be responsive to an approach, with consideration given to the manner in which it is undertaken, the timing and the person involved.

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Although RUIZ' health has been described as generally good, he suffers from a back ailment which resulted from a fall in 1955 and which has been diagnosed as incurable. Also he suffers from a liver ailment for which he takes medicine.

RUIZ is scheduled to return to Cuba in mid-1970, where he expects to be with MININT, rather than MINREX or MINCEX.

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- Forwarded herewith are two contact reports submitted by Henry S. PACHANLIS on his interviews with Alexander SAMKO (201-866054) concerning Orestes Guillermo RUIZ Perez (201-735296). Both contact reports are self-explanatory and were summarized in References B and C.
- 2. Please advise if WH/Wiami should pursue the marter of contact between SAMKO and RUIZ in Madrid. If so, the Station suggests that PACHANKIS accompany SAPKO to Madrid as his handler.

Melvin D. KERSCHEN

#### Attachments:

A. Contact Report, 21 April 1970 B. Contact Report, 28 April 1970

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