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COUNTRY: VENEZUELA/CUBA

DOI : LATE SEPTEMBER - 12 OCTOBER 1976T

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES OF CUBAN EXILE LEADER ORLANDO BOSCH DURING

HIS STAY IN VENEZUELA

ACQ : WENEZUELA, CARACAS (13 OCTOBER 1976) FIELD NO. [HVC]-7514T(S)

SOURCE: A FORMER VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL WHO STILL MAINTAINS

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1. CFIELD COMMENT: IN LATE SEPTEMBER 1976 A USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTED THAT CUBAN EXILE LEADER ORLANDO BOSCH WAS IN VENEZUELA UNDER THE PROTECTION OF VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ. FURTHERMORE, PEREZ HWD APPOINTED HIS SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE ADVISER ORLANDO GARCIA TO PROTECT AND ASSIST

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BOSCH DURING HIS STAY IN VENEZUELA. FOR THIS INFORMATION SEE

[HVC] 7498, DFIRDB-315/ -76. IN [HVC] 7483, DFIRDB-315/T (S)

89430-76, OF MID-SEPTEMBER, A SOURCE OF UNDETERMINED RELIABILITY

REPORTED THAT BOSCH ARRIVED IN VENEZUELA ON APPROXIMATELY 13 SEPTEMBER.)

- 2. UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN CARACAS, BOSCH WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT
 BY GARCIA AND LUIS CLEMENTE POSADA ARE NATIVE-BORN CUBANS.)T
 - 3. SOMETIME FOLLOWING BOSCH'S ARRIVAL IN CARACAS, A BS.T
 5,000 (APPROXIMATELY U.S. \$1,118) A PLATE FUND-RAISING DINNER FOR
 BOSCH WAS HELD AT THE HOME OF HILDO FOLGAR, A PROMINENT
 SURGEON AND CUBAN EXILE. IN ADDITION TO BOSCH, AMONG THOSE ATTENDING
 THE DINNER WERE GARCIA; RICARDO MORALES NAVARETTE, GARCIA'S
 DEPUTY WHO IS ALSO A NATIVE-BORN CUBAN; POSADA; AND AN UNIDENTIFIED
 HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIAL OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR.T

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HAS DIFFERENT INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER BOSCH WAS EXFILTRATED OR IS OR IS NOT IN VENEZUELA. GARCIA SPOKE TO LEGATT SUNDAY MORNING, 19TO COTOBER, AND ON THE AFTERNOON OF 12 OCTOBER TOLD HIM "NNFORMALLY"T THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD SHORTLY ADVISE ME THAT BOSCH WOULD BE THENED OVER TO US. THIS WAS REPEATED TO LEGATT BY DISIP DIRECTOR RAUL G I M E N E Z GAINZA AND OTHER DISIP OFFICIALS (NNCLUDING CARCIA) NN A MEETING THE MORNING OF 13 OCTOBER. CONCEIVABLY GARCIA CAN BE PLAYING A DARK GAME, BUT THE DISCREPANCIES ARE NOTEWORTHY.T I HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED ANY OFFICIAL WORD AS TO THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION.)T

11. [FIELD] DISSEM: EMBASSY, LEGATT AT CARACAS: SENT TO
[PORT OF SPAIN, GEORGETOWN, KINGSTON, MEXICO CITY, MANAGUA,T
GUATEMALA CITY, PANAMA CITY, SANTO DOMINGO, SANTIAGO, BOGOTA,T](S)

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