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15 June 1978

SUBJECT: Actions Taken by NSA to Locate Information Related to the Assassination of President Kennedy

A. Over the past fourteen and one-half years, NSA has performed a number of separate in-depth reviews of materials in its files in an attempt to isolate data that might be relevant to the assassination of President Kennedy. Nothing of significance has been determined as a result of those reviews.

1. November-December 1963 - Immediately after the assassination, NSAinitiated a large-scale manual and machine review of available SIGINT, including all U.S./Cuba traffic (NSA intercepted messages at an average of 1,000 per day at that time). A computer search was initiated using Oswald's name as the minimum for research criteria. Additionally, all traffic between Cuba/New Orleans and Cuba/Dallas was manually reviewed (an analyst involved recalled that 25 to 50 analysts reviewed the traffic manually, along with traffic from Cuba and some Soviet traffic). Sometime during the search, items from the Oswald address book provided by the FBI were added to the search criteria.

2. <u>1964</u> - Warren Commission - The Commission, in the person of Allan Dulles, asked NSA to review the exhibits for any secret writings or codes which might have been contained in the documents. It also appears that NSA searched records for information on the basis of other Warren Commission requests made informally by Allen Dulles.

3. November 1975 - Senate Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities (SSC):

In response to an SSC request on the Assassination, NSA reviewed its Soviet and Cuban files, including Cuban military. The search was also for material involving Marina Oswald, Jack Ruby or Earl Ruby (a Harvest run was made). Mexican traffic was also reviewed, looking for information concerning Oswald's visit to Mexico.

4. June 1976 - Pursuant to FOIA requests asking for material relating to Lee Harvey Oswald and the Assassination

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of President John F. Kennedy, NSA again searched the files. Strongbox searches were made on the following:

Lee Harvey Oswald	1966 - 1976
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President Kennedy	1966 - 1976
Earl Ruby	1966 - 1977
Cobo Cleaners	1966 - 1977

5. December 1976 - Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) - Requested all the material we had available on the Cuban agent problem. It consisted of 485 reports for the period 1961 - 1965. All of these reports were received by Committee Staff Members.

6. March 1978 - House Select Committee on Assassinations -Requested all data on Cuban intelligence network and other materials relating to the Assassination. All Cuban agent material (1961 - 1964) was reviewed, as was material that had been previously compiled to respond to the SSCI and SSC requests.

B. As a result of the reviews described above, the following materials which may have some relevance to the assassination were located (referenced material inclosed at numbered tabs):

1. Four Cuban diplomatic messages which contained official Cuban comments regarding press items that discussed Oswald's activity in late September 1963 to obtain a visa to travel to Moscow. There were also comments on the assassination itself. The messages are dated in the last week of November 1963.

2. Three Cuban military reports which show that Cuban military forces did go on alert immediately after the assassination.

3. One 1962 Cuban Intelligence message concerning the assassination of Antonio Veciana. This message was to (Puerto Rico) SERAFIN.

4. One 1966 Cuban Diplomatic message concerning a Spanish diplomat in Cuba. It referenced a 1960 plan in Cuba to assassinate an USSR dignitary in Cuba and against Raul Castro Ruz, possibly linking it to the CIA.

5. Information in an FBI document relating to a French Intelligence agent was supplied by NSA. Because this document was to be turned over to the HASC, there may be some relation to the assassination.

6. One 1967 message showing Cuban interest in Jim Garrison's investigation of both the Kennedy Assassination and David W. Ferrie.

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C. Based on these extensive reviews and the paucity of material derived, it is possible to state that: "A thorough review has revealed no intelligence material revealing or suggesting Cuban involvement in the assassination of President Kennedy."

Eugene F. Yeates Chief

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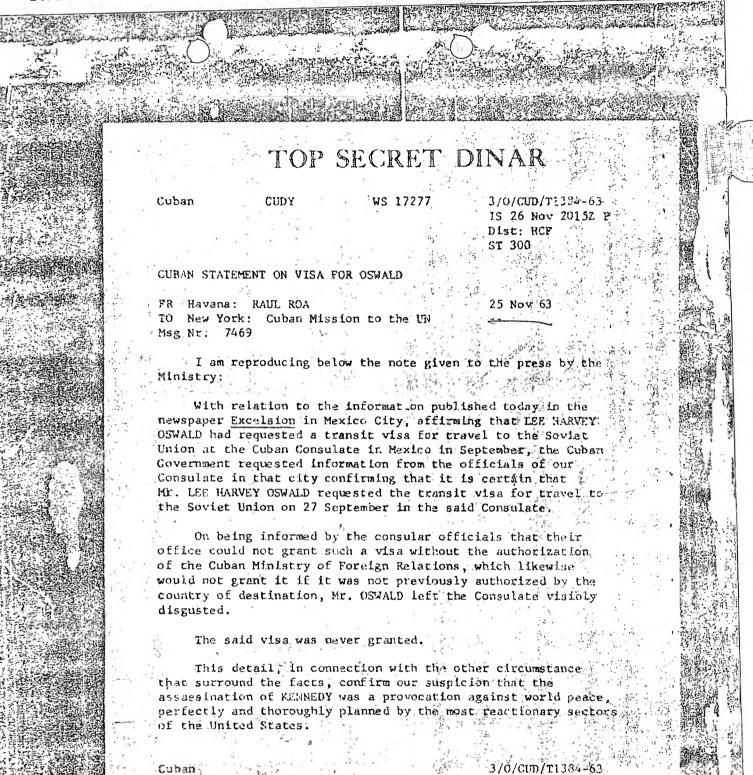
It seems to me that this summary should now be used as the basis for advising Mr. Blakey that we have reviewed all our holdings and have found nothing directly (or even indirectly) relevant to his investigation.

EUGENE F. YEATES

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World public opinion demands the enlightening of the deeds. It is absurd that the political authoritaes and the prosecuting attorney of Dallas have declared that the case is closed when hardly 48 hours have passed since a deed of so great a result as the assassination of the President of the United States.

Regards.

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passing through Cuba. The visa to the USSR he could have requested from the nearest European country and not have to come to Cuba to later go to the USCR, which is much farther."

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an an an Alaman an A He also said, "By 1970 we will be in condition to surpass 10 million tons of sugar and to export it. The economy begins to improve solidly. We have sugar sold at close to 10 centavos. for 1965 and 1966. There shortly will be a notable increase in meats and other articles. At the year's end, nougats, wine and grapes will reappear as the result of the development of foreign trade.

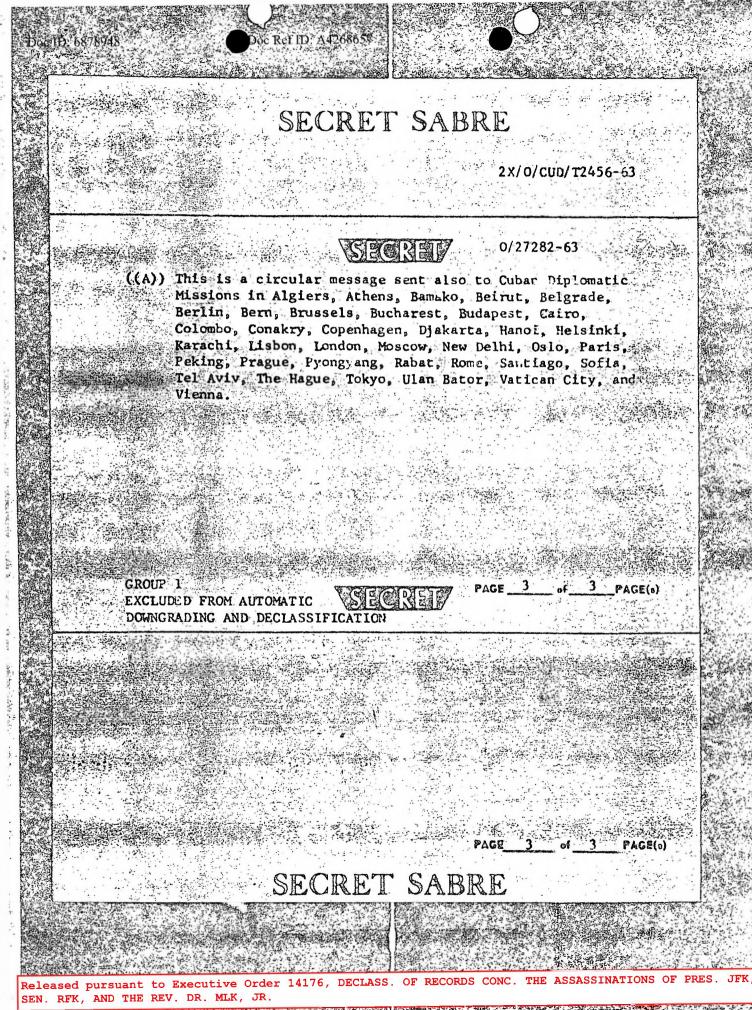
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MINREX, HAVANA VERIFIED OSWALD'S REQUEST FOR TRANSIT VISA FOR RUSSIA

FR Havana: MINREX 26 Nov 63 TO Circular [Warsaw: Cuban Embassy]((A)) Msg Nr: 7482

MINREX reported yesterday that the information in the newspaper <u>Excelcior</u> of Mexico City concerning LEE OSWALD's request for a transit visa to go to the USSR, which was requested from the Cuban Consulate in Merida, is true. This visa was requested 27 September from said consulate, which stated that it could not grant the visa without permission of MINREX, and unless permission had been granted previously by the country of destination. OSWALD gave up annyying the consulate, and the visa was never granted.

This detail; and others, confirm the suspicion that the KENNEDY assassination was a provocation against world peace by the most reactionary sectors. It is evident that these sectors planned

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The alert in Oriente Province (see 2/0/CUN/R195-63) is believed to be terminated. The alert, apparently prompted by President KENNEDY's death on 22 November, was possibly preschoduled to terminate on 25 November. There have been two orders which suggest that the alert was destined to be concluded on 25 November; they are:

Maisi (20-15N 74-05M) was restricted until 25 November because of the alert (see 2/QS/CUN/R667-63); and

2) Subordinates of Banes, Readquarters Eastern Naval District, were to receive further orders on the 25th, presumably concerning their alert status (2/0/CUN/R196-63); no such orders have been noted in commications.

There have been no further references in intercepted communications to the alert since 02222 on 23 November (2/QS/CUR/R667-63).

It is possible that the restricted access to the Observation Post at Purta Halsi extends to other Observation Posts in Oriente Province such as reported on 23 November when Pirst Army Coastal Observation Posts were placed in an alert status (2/2R1/CIA/R188-63), and that the restriction was to be lifted on 25 November by all those posts.

Further indication that the alert has terminated is the fact that the Cuban Navy was engaged in an island-wide communications exercise on 25 November. It is considered unlikely that such an exercise would be conducted under elect conditions.

There have been no further references to the elect status of the (D percent Santiago de Cuba) units which was first observed on 23 November (2/31./CUA/R05-63). All CRAF and Soviet Forces Cuba computications appear to be normal during this period, 22-26 November 1963.

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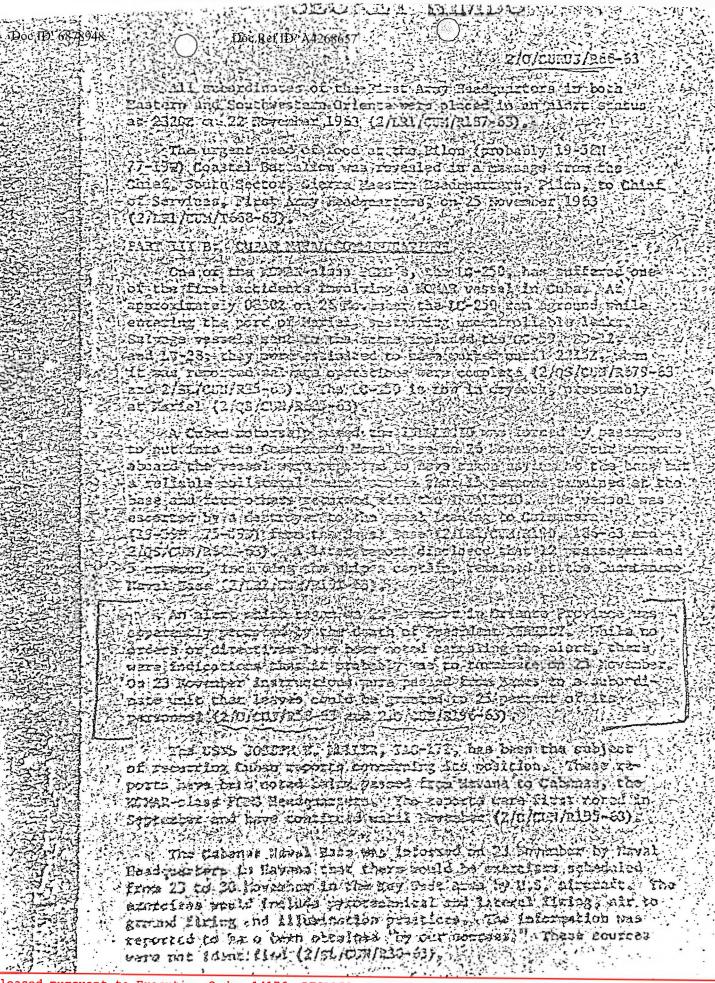
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SSCI Request for Document re Antonio Veciana SUBJECT:

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In response to the inclosed 20 December request from the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, on this date I showed the NSA product on Antonio Veciana, 3/0/TRIG-CUI/T23-62 dated 29 November 1962, to SSCI staffers Tom Moore and Howard Liebengood. They were quite interested in this message and a reference to "Serafin." They indicated that the Committee would request a review of all Cuban material for the period 1961-1965.

C. WOBENSMITH

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SPANISH COUNSELOR IN HAVANA DECLARED PERSONA NON GRATA

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FR Havana: ROA TO Madrid: CALZADILLA, Cuban Embassy Msg Nr: 2301

I am transcribing below, for your information and for appropriate purposes, the text of the note delivered this morning, Saturday, to the Spainish Embassy in Cuba.

"Havana, 28 May 1966

"Charge d'Affaires:

"I have the honor of addressing you on a matter which the U Government of Cuba considers of the utmost importance and gravity,

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since it deals with crimes that have been committed and activities that have been carried out against the integrity and stability of the state by Mr. JAIME CALDEVILLA Y GARCIA VILLAR, Press Counselor of the Spanish Embassy, who intolerably abused the diplomatic immunity and privileges granted him and used them for purposes, like those cited, that are very different from the functions assigned to him.

"With the purpose of documenting what has already been indicated, I take the liberty of informing you below in detail, of the charges which have been brought against Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA, proved in an authentic and irrefutable manner, and which compel us to formally and expressly request his immediate departure from the country persona non grata.

"The main activites of Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA are directed toward the search, by illicit means, for information of a

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military, economic and political nature, the fulfillment of tasks of ideological diversionism and the recruitment of agents and counterrevolutionaries for the Central Intelligence Agency, tasks in which he has availed himself of the very close collaboration of his secretary, Miss CARMEN JIMENEZ GOMEZ((A)).

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"Since February 1959, Counselor CALDEVILLA has undertaken the job of recruiting members of the then Rebel Army, among them the traitor ALDO VERA((A)), MARIO MARRERO((A)), and AGUSTIN PARRADA((A)). The latter, once his activities were discovered, found it propitious to flee the country to avoid prosecution.

"Along this same line, he also used the aforementioned Miss CARMEN JIMENEZ GOMEZ, instructing her to infiltrate student organizations for the purpose of creating diversionism in the ideological order, and she established, for this purpose, intimate relations with Mr. PEDRO LUIS BOITELL((A)), ex-President of the

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University of Havana School of Engineering. When the latter was arrested and sentenced to imprisonment on the Isle of Pines, Miss JIMENEZ GOMEZ went there and carried out military and political espionage activities. The data and information that she obtained on that occasion were transmitted to Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA, and included microfilms.

"In February 1960 Counselor CALDEVILLA conceived a plan for an attempt against the life of the then First Deputy Chairman of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Mr. ANASTAS MIKOYAN, a guest in Cuba, for which purpose he delivered arms to a group of counterrevolutionarly elements. It was not executed, according to what Counselor CALDEVILLA himself claims, because of the cowardice of the assassins. He also sought refuge and protection in the home of his collaborator JOSE LUIS RODRIGUEZ((A)), for Mr. ISRAEL ZAMORA PEREZ((A)), a fugitive from Cuban authorities for plotting an attempt against the life of the Vice Prime Minister and Minister of the Cuban Revolutionary Armed Forces, Commander RAUL CASTRO RUZ, PAGE 4 of 12 PAGE(s)

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as well as a plan to create an incident at the United States Naval Base at Guantanamo. Later, Counselor CALDEVILLA arranged for the mentioned ISRAEL ZAMORA PEREZ to take asylum in the Colombian Embassy in Havana.

"In May 1962 he instructed his agents CARMEN JIMENEZ GARCIA and ALFREDO SERRA ECHEVARRIA((A)), an accountant at the Embassy, as well as other individuals, to infiltrate different organizations and offices of the Cuban State. The former went to work in the offices of the National College of Architects, where she established contacts with numerous professionals, to induce them to desert, as well as to obtain data and information from the Congress of the International Union of Architects, where she worked as a simultaneous interpreter.

"The latter worked at the National Institute of Agrarian Reform where, if a break in diplomatic relations between Spain and Cuba occurred, he would be in charge of obtaining confidential information

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to supply to the enemy. In July and October of 1962 he distributed correspondence with instructions, received by diplomatic pouch, for the counterrevolutionary organization, the Revolutionary Student Directorate with which he maintained close relations through BLANCA MARTINEZ DEL HOYO((A)), JORGE MEDINA BRINGUIER((A)), and LUIS FERNANDEZ ROCHA((A)). The first two were national coordinators for civic resistance and strengthening of the Revolutionary Student Directorate, and the latter, a CIA agent.

"It has also been proved that Counselor CALDEVILLA's wife, at his suggestion, has maintained relations with relatives of political prisoners and counterrevolutionaries, inciting them to send letters of protest to foreign embassies and international organizations.

"On the occasion of the arrest of counterrevolutionary GENARO FERNANDEZ FOLGUEIRAS, national leader of the counterrevolutionary organization, the National Union of Revolutionary Institutions, he GROUP 1 EXCLUDED FROM AUTOMATIC

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stated and offered evidence that Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA was to recruit him and give him training in arms and explosives, even within the Spanish Embassy, and instruct him in organizing an espionage network for the illicit procurement of military, economic and political information and in penetrating the Cuban-Spanish Friendship Society, whose building he was to occupy in the event the United States Government launched an armed aggression against Cuba. He was to be given arms and equipment at the opportune In like manner FOLGUEIRAS was instructed by the former moment. to distribute arms and relay guidance to counterrevolutionary groups in the event of this aggression. The espionage ring organized by the aforementioned is made up of eight persons who receive for said task the amount of 2.50.00 US dollars monthly and the promise of a deposit of 500.00 US dollars in an account in their names in a Miami bank.

"Miss CARMEN JIMENEZ GOMEZ, for her part, was entrusted by Counselor CALDEVILLA with the mission of directing an extensive

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espionage network in various State organizations, such as the Ministries of the Sugar Industry, Industries, Foreign Trade and Education, and the National Bank of Cuba. Miss JIMENEZ GOMEZ, on one occasion, supplied him with a directive of the nickel industry as well as a plan and a report with specifications on the type of arms, location, and personnel of the military installations of Managua and Matanzas which were delivered by LUIS ANTONIO COLLAZO DENNISN((A)), who is a deserter from the Armed Forces.

"In April 1963, when the Achives was pentrated by CIA agent RAMON GRAU ALSIN((A)) who directed an espionage ring, a note was found which confirmed that a certain message had been delivered to Counselor CALDEVILLA. In June of the same year, photostatic copies of the motions of the Student Congress on the Struggle of Peoples Against Colonialism were delivered to him by CARMEN JIMENEZ GOMEZ.

"During the celebration in Havana of the First Solidarity Conference of the Peoples of Africa, Asia, and Latin America,

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Counselor CALDEVILLA attempted to obtain the names and activities of the delegates, guests, and journalists attending, as well as reports on its development and agreements.

"In February 1966, he gave refuge in his residency to counterrevolutionary fugitive ALDO ABREU BACALLAO((A)), a convicted saboteur.

"The Cuban authorities have also learned through the statements of several arrested persons, that Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA uses the pouches and enciphered Embassy cables to receive and transmit instructions, reports, requests for information, and correspondence related to illicit activities and is personally in charge of deciphering messages in an office on the second floor of the chancery, next to the office of his Secretary, and is also in charge of reviewing and approving all of the material obtained in the country by his numerous agents and contacts before sending it abroad.

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"We were also able to prove the connection between Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA and the ex-official of the Spanish Embassy ALEJANDRO VERGARA((A)), whose departure from the [5G] it was also necessary to request, as well as the participation of both in crimes against the integrity of the State and the illegal removal of foreign currency and jewels from the country. Both kept as refugees in the Spanish headquarters two telegraph operators in charge of intercepting transmitted radio telegraph communications by means of radio sets. They also recruited a telegraph operator from the Ministry of Communications who was in charge of the espionage work of that organization. At that time Counsellor JAIME CALDEVILLA was personally concerned with verifying the reports supplied by these two individuals, with the aid of an employee of the Embassy, ADELA RODIL RODRIGUEZ((A)), and CARMEN JIMENEZ GOMEZ. He give direct orders to the latter.

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"Both VERGARA and Counselor CALDEVILLA have known of the plans for sabotage and assassinations, including those against the Prime PAGE(s) PAGE 10

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Minister of the Revolutionary Government, Major FIDEL CASTRO RUZ. Both were exposed by leaders of counterrevolutionary organizations, having offered, on one occasion, to supply to one group rifles with telescopic sights. The authorities have proof that one or the other maintains relations with the well-known counterrevolutionary leader MANUEL ARTIME, whom Mr. VERGARA visited in Miami sometime before the mercenary invasion was crushed at Playa Giron, in April 1961, with the knowledge of Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA.

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"It has been known that Counselor JAIME CALDEVILLA has been dedicated, furthermore, for some time, to the illegal removal from the country through the diplomatic pouches of the Spanish Embassy of jewels and foreign currency delivered to him by different persons, on a basis of 20 percent of its value. In this way, the removal from the country of the possessions of ALVARO GONZALEZ GORDON((A)) and his wife MARIA TERESA VELASCO SARRA((A)) was facilitated.

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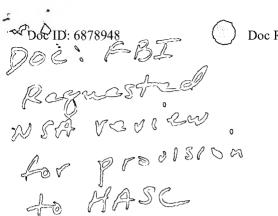
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LAKUN Doc ID: 6878948 Doc Ref ID: A4268657 /0/CUD/T1663-66 0/15748-66 "You will agree with me on the importance of this matter, both painful and regrettable, since it is the question of an official of the diplomatic representation of a country with which Cuba maintains normal relations .. We trust that your understanding and . collaboration will help conclude this affair as soon as possible. We also trust that the Spanish Government will adopt pertinent measures to prevent acts of this nature from recurring. "I take advantage of this opportunity. Mr. Charge'd'Affaires, to reiterate to you the testimony of my highest considerations." ((A)) Personal names not verified, as in text. PAGE(s) PAGE GROUP 1 EXCLUDED FROM AUTOMATIC DOWNGRADING AND DECLASSIFICATION

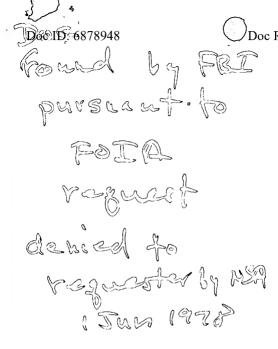
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[OUT-OF-SERVICE MESSAGE]

Comrade PORTELA,

Please send us information on the death of DAVID W. FERRIE, cited as an important figure in District Attorney JIM GARRISON's investigation of the KENNEDY assassination.

We want to know, if possible, what factors linked FERRIE to the case, as well as the details of his death. Was it suicide or murder?

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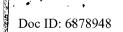
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1. Under the provisions of the FOIA I would like to request all files, reports and related reports in which his name comes up on

DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE

Mr. Ferrie was arrested in New Orleans on 2/16/62 and was assigned #107062. His name was mentioned repeatedly in regard to the Garrison investigation of the JFK murder/conspiracy which took place in New Orleans. I have enclosed a copy of a document your office sent me under FOIA which states that Ferrie is dead.

2. Enclosed please find letter dated 14 Oct 77 from James M. Powers. I would like to obtain all the additional material. I will pick this material up in person when I visit the FBI FOI/PA Reading room on November 9, 1977 if that is alright.

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