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SUBJECT:



(AMTURVY-4)

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(201-725621)

1. AMTURVY-4 (A-4) was part of the AMTURVY net which carried out spotting and sabotage operations. In October of 1963 the Agency managed to get a few pistols and sabotage items into the hands of AMTURVY-13 (201-738504) who was going to use these items in an assassination attempt against Fidel CASTRO. 23

2. A-1 was involved in this plan. One of A-4's close friends was one David UTIANSKY (AMFISH-1) 201-215877. UTIANSKY'S file shows that the Agency considered him to be "a Soviet or an Israeli agent, or both." In 1950 UTIANSKY was believed to be not only a Communist, but an official delegate of the Russian Communist Party and was receiving his orders from the Soviet Charge in Havana, Dimitri ZAIKIN. Again in 1961 a request for Security Information (CIA) on UTIANSKY stated that the Havana files indicated that one David UTIANSKY was/is a "militant Communist." In June 1963 WAVE 9575 (IN 56919) dated 11 June 1963, reported information from AMTURVY-4 and listed David UTIANSKY as the sub-source. In the cable UTIANSKY was described as "old guard Communist funding agent of Cuban Communist Party in the 30's and 40's, NOW SUSPECTED KGB AGENT!" On 6 November (63?) a dispatch was sent from JMWAVE to the Chief, FID requesting traces on UTIANSKY (see attached copy.)

3. UTIANSKY's close relationship with AMTURVY-4 presents problems in that the latter was deeply involved in the October 1963 plot to assassinate Fidel CASTRO. Whether or not AMTURVY-4 told UTIANSKY about the plan is pure conjecture at this late date. However, based on the files of AMTURVY-4, AMTURVY-13 (redacted) and AMFISH-1 (David UTIANSKY) it is more than likely that UTIANSKY was aware of the plan and could have passed the information to the Soviets and through them to Fidel CASTRO. Again, the files give no proof of this.

Attachment: 1

LAD/JFK Task Force

Researcher:



Screened total of 4 files.

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DISPATCH		CLASSIFICATION S E C R E T	PROCESSING		
			PROPOSED	ACTION	ACCOMPLISHED
TO	Chief, KUDESC Division		X	MARKED FOR INDEXING	
INFO.	Chief, Special Affairs Staff			NO INDEXING REQUIRED	
FROM	Chief of Station, JMWAVE			ONLY QUALIFIED HEADQUARTERS DESK CAN JUDGE INDEXING	
SUBJECT	Operational/TYPIC/AMTURVY			ABSTRACT	
(1) Traces Request - David UTIANSKY (201-215877)				MICROFILM	
ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES					
Action Required: Traces					
<p>1. Traces are requested on <u>201-215877</u> <u>DAVID UTIANSKY</u> <u>Re: Station Trace and Request for info.</u></p> <p>who presently resides in Habana, Cuba, Miramar Section, Calle 58 between 3rd and 5th Avenues. He is employed in the library of the Hebrew Community at Calle Linea and J Streets, Vedado. His present income is about 300 pesos per month from the GOC for an intervened factory he previously owned.</p> <p>2. The source of this information, AMTURVY-4, has known UTIANSKY for "many years" based on a business friendship. AMTURVY-4 believes that UTIANSKY, who claims to be a friend of the President of Israel, is working for the Israeli Government.</p> <p>3. Station traces include the following:</p> <p>TKH-51, 12 Aug 47 provided identifying data, and described him as a fanatical Communist and intimate friend of Dimitri ZANIN, the former Russian Charge d'Affairs in Cuba.</p> <p>DBF-92613, 20 Oct 61 described him as a contact with leading Soviet agents in Cuba, and member of PSP.</p> <p>UFGW-3412, 12 Mar 62 Report by AMCONCERT-1 described him as an important man for international Communism.</p> <p>END OF DISPATCH</p>					
<p>Distribution:</p> <p>2 - C/KUDESC</p> <p>2 - C/SAS</p>					
<p>CROSS REFERENCE TO</p> <p>GROUP 1 Excluded from automatic CLASSIFICATION downgrading and declassification</p> <p>S E C R E T</p>			<p>DATE TYPED 30 Oct 63</p> <p>DATE DISPATCHED NOV 6 1963</p> <p>DISPATCH SYMBOL AND NUMBER UFGA-12190</p> <p>HEADQUARTERS FILE NUMBER 201-215877</p>		