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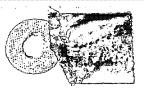
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#### AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Pursuant to Bureau instructions as set forth in Bulet, 1/24/61, to the Asst. Attorney General, Miami will not conduct further investigation to determine possible violations of the Neutrality statutes, but in view of the possible significance of this organization, Miami will continue to follow its activities through informants and other logical sources.

#### -ADMINISTRATIVE-

On March 21, 1961, Mr. CIA, Miami, advised that the group of five, including ANGUS MC NAIR, who were reportedly captured in Cuba, could be an independent operation of the FRD, but that CIA had no operational interest in this matter, and was in possession of no information concerning the "Mercury".

On March 29, 1961, Mr. JUSTIN GLEICHAUF, CIA, advised that ORLANDO BOSCH is persona non grata so far as CIA is concerned, and that CIA has no interest in BOSCH's organization, the MIRR; however, BEMBIBRE and his companions were assisted out of Cuba by CIA.

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#### DETAILS: AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

## I. ACTIVITIES OF THE MIRR IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, 1961

On January 16, 1961, MM T-1, who is well acquainted with many Cuban exiles in the Miami area, advised that Dr. ORLANDO/BOSCH/AVILA, 4138 S. W. 16th Bord Terrace, Miami, civilian delegate to the MOVIMIENTO INSURRECIONAL DE RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIO (MIRR), advised that the "Jolly Roger", a forty or forty-five-foot boat possessed by BOSCH, was going to transport some guns from Green Cay, Bahamas, to Miami, where these guns were to be taken by a group departing Miami by plane to Cuba.

On January 16, 1961, MM T-1 advised that BOSCH had acquired some radio transmitting equipment which operates on 4895 kilocycles.

On January 19, 1961, MM\_T-1 said that BOSCH disclosed that day that <u>VICTOR PANEQUE</u>, also known as Captain Diego, planned to take a group of eight individuals on the "Jolly Roger" to Cuba.

On January 19, 1961, the Broward County Sheriff's Office, Broward County, Florida, furnished information concerning several individuals receiving training on isolated property located Northwest of Pompano Beach, Florida.

On the same date, thesemen, who identified themselves as United States citizens ROBERT EDWARD ROSTALLON,

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JAMES PETER HENRI, and AUGUST JOSEPH ANDREW BACHOT, JR., advised that they belonged to an unnamed organization consisting of twelve to thirteen Americans under the leadership of FRANKVSTURGIS, 280 S. W. 60th Court, Miami, Florida. They disclosed that their camp was a staging area being used by this group prior to its transportation, date unknown, by plane or boat to Cuba. These men were observed as being in possession of one Webley Mark 6 revolver.

They stated that STURGIS said that their presence in Cuba would encourage Cubans to defect against FIDEL CASTRO, and that if the revolution succeeded against CASTRO, they would be rewarded with political positions or businesses under the new regime, and would be allowed to remain in Cuba.

It is to be noted that FRANK STURGIS is identical to FRANK ANTHONY STURGIS, also known as Frank Fiorini, who has been previously mentioned in this investigation as having entered into negotiations with Captain DIEGO to obtain transportation of his men from Miami to Cuba, where FIORINI's men planned to stake out an area of operations for themselves.

On January 19, 1961, MM T-2, who associates with many Cuban exiles engaged in revolutionary activities, reported that he had visited FIORINI's camp near Pompano Beach, on the previous day, and learned that Captain DIEGO had a group which planned to be leaving the following weekend for Cuba, and planned to take along four or five of FIORINI's men as a separate unit under the leadership of MAX VIIA, JR, a Cuban exile.

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MM T-2 stated he also learned that ORLANDO BOSCH, Captain DIEGO, and FRANK FIORINI had reportedly gone to Tampa, Florida, to obtain possession of a boat which had been undergoing repairs in the Tampa area.

On January 30, 1961, MM T-1 advised that BOSCH disclosed that VICTOR PANEQUE had gone to Cuba, but he did not disclose the time nor method of his departure.

On February 27, 1961, MM T-1 advised that MIGUEL BOSCH, brother of ORLANDO, disclosed that BOSCH's group had been out on an unsuccessful attempt to et into Cuba, and had returned to the Miami area on February 26, 1961.

MIGUEL BOSCH explained that the group had "flown" over Cuba, but had been unable to land for reasons unexplained to MIGUEL BOSCH. BOSCH identified FRANK FIORINI as having been with this group, which also included VICTOR PANEQUE. BOSCH claimed that the MIRR had maintained radio contact with this group from Miami.

On March 1, 1961, MM T-1 advised that ORLANDO BOSCH disclosed on February 28, 1961, that he had to go to Marathon, Florida on March 2 or 3, 1961. BOSCH explained that MARCIANO BELLO, one of his men in the MIRR, was planning to go to Pinar del Rio. Also, BOSCH expressed disgust over the failure of VICTOR PANEQUE on his second attempt to get into Cuba. BOSCH did not elaborate on this difficulty. He also remarked that also participating in the second unsuccessful attempt, was FRANK FIORINI, (First Name Unknown) SANDALIO, and one "MIMO".

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Mr. MC NAIR said he last saw his son on March 4, 1961, when his son announced that he was leaving for Cuba.

On the evening of March 22, 1961, MM T-1 reported that ORLANDO BOSCH had just received information from the Cuban radio broadcasts that an MIRR group had been seized in Cuba. BOSCH identified MARCIANO BELLO, also known as "Guajiro" of the MIRR as being among this group.

BOSCH confided to MM T-1 that this group had been taken by the "Jolly Roger" to a point off the coast of Cuba near Cabanas, where they were transported in a small boat to shore where they were apparently apprehended.

On March 22, 1961, Inspector WILLIS SMITHSON, U. S. Border Patrol, Miami, advised that on March 9, 1961, a U. S. Border Patrol boat encountered and inspected the "Jolly Roger" off Bahia Key, near No Name Key, in the Florida Keys. There were no guns on board, but the following occupants of the boat were identified:

ANGUS MC NAIR, 4920 S. W. 76th Street, Miami;

ORLANDO BOSCH and MARCIANO BELLO MARTINEZ, both of 4128 S. W. 16th Terrace, Miami:

ROLANDO PEREZ ALEJO SIMETO and GILBERTO BETANCOURT, both of 428 S. W. 9th Street, Apartment 8, Miami.

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