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On May 1, 1967, CIA (covert), Miami, advised SA JAMES D. HAYES that he had no additional information concerning subject in Miami.

Bulet, December 29, 1966, requested comments, observations, and recommendations, as to further investigation.

It is, therefore, respectfully submitted that results of investigation in New York area, as requested in this report, will, to a great extent, determine the future course of investigation. Therefore, recommendations as to further investigation will be submitted on receipt of New York report.

-The question to be resolved is whether or not subject is presently a Cuban Intelligence Service (CIS) agent. A review of material in this report, and in reports previously submitted, would tend to show that subject could have functioned as such. Considering CIS targets, subject's activities in the Miami area in 1959 and 1960, prior to the time he went to New York, are highly suspect. He seems to have been able to disrupt every attempt by anti-CASTRO organizations to organize or unify. For example, not only did he denounce the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD), as well as its leader, MANUEL ANTONIO VARONA, as a tool of the Communists, he also said he had withdrawn support of GARCIA KOHLY, SR., and his Cuban Liberating Commandos, after associating with KOHLY in Washington, D. C. When questioned about individual units in the KOHLY organization, ECHEGOYEN said he had either withdrawn his support of KOHLY, or that he, ECHEGOYEN, could furnish no additional information concerning each individual unit. This information was previously submitted

A Havana informant identified subject as a DIER agent (Legat, Havana, letter to Director, July 16, 1959)
(Bufile 65-63987-210), entitled, "FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE MATTERS - CUBA," and stated DIER in 1959 actually was the Cuban military intelligence organization rather than the intelligence division

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of the Cuban Air Force. It is possible that the Bureau has more information on this point concerning subject and DIER in June, 1959, and subsequent period.

There could have been also attempts to plant information such as the information originally furnished by subject to GEORGE TODT, Herald Express, columnist, in Los Angeles, California, May 9, 1961, that he, ECHEGOYEN, had received a code message from Cuba to the effect that the Cuban Government imported printing equipment from East Germany via Czechoslovakia capable of counterfeiting \$50.00 and \$100.00 bills in U.S. currency. The above has been reported previously.

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MM T-1 is Legat, Havana, Legat letter to Director, 6/29/59 captioned, "CARLOS LEON ECHEGOYEN, IS - CUBA; NA"

MM T-2 is Legat, Havana
Legat letter to Director, 7/16/59,
entitled, "FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE
MATTERS - CUBA" (2)

MM/T-3 is GEORGE LESTER FREEMAN, South Florida Manager, Southern Bell Telephone, Miami

MM T-4 is CIA teletype to Director, FBI, 12/21/66, entitled, "CARLOS OSCAR ECHEGOYEN LEON, IS - CUBA"

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The following informants who formerly were in a position to know subject, advised they knew of no present pro- or anti-CASTRO activities on his part.

MM 724-S, contacted by SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS, January 31, 1967 (Miami 134-409)

MM 635-S, contacted by SAs CURTIS and GEORGE E. DAVIS, JR., 1/11-12/67 (Miami 134-211).

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