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INFORMANTS

IDENTITY

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MM T-1 is ANTONY FARINAS,
3911 Northwest 12th Street,
Miami, an American with
numerous contacts among
Cubans in Miami, former
President July 26 Club,
Miami February - August,
1959, Business Agent
Local 255, Hotel Workers
Union, currently under
consideration for development
as PSI, Miami, and acquainted
with the subject, contacted
1/12/60 and 3/24/60.

MM T-2 is MM 635-S, contacted 134-211-Sub A-162 1/13/60.

MM T-3 is MM 639-S, contacted Instant report, page 2 1/14/60.

MM T-4 is RICARDO MADAN
RIVAS, 224 Lenape Drive,
Miami Springs, Florida,
Cuban businessman residing
Miami, acquainted with
the subject, has numerous
contacts among Cubans in Miami
area, former member Authentic Party
of ex-Cuban President CARLOS PRIO and
under consideration for development
as PSI, Miami.

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LOCATION OF ORIGINAL INFORMATION

MM T-5 is FRANK PEREZ PEREZ, 1124 Northwest 13th Terrace, ex-Cuban official and businessman claiming numerous acquaintances among Cubans in the Miami area, contacted 9/11/59

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report and "T" symbols have been utilized only in those instances where identity must be concealed.

Other individuals contacted who were unable to furnish information concerning the subject were:

MARIANO FAGET, 75 Southwest 32nd Court Road, Miami, former head of BRAC, former MM-CS-492-S, currently under consideration for development as PSI, contacted 12/28/59.

ROY KATON, owner, Tamiami Gun Shop, Miami, formerly under consideration for development as PCI, Miami, contacted 1/12/60, by SA WILLIAM P. KELLY.

DAGOBERTO DARIAS, 869 Southwest 6th St., Miami, former Director General of supplies in BATISTA Government; has numerous contacts among Cubans in Miami.

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On January 13, 1960, MM T-2, a Cuban official, advised that to the best of his knowledge SOCRATES ALVAREZ is not known as a Cuban agent or employee.

On January 14, 1960, MM T-3, an American with numerous contacts among the Cubans in the Miami area, advised that he knows who SOCRATES ALVAREZ is, and that ALVAREZ was very pro-CASTRO during 1958, and belonged to the July 26 Club of Miami, which he said was an organization of individuals sympathetic to the revolutionary cause of now Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO.

MM T-3 said that he knew of no current activities on the part of ALVAREZ.

On January 18, 1960, MM T-4, a Cuban businessman residing in Miami with numerous contacts among both pro and anti-CASTRO Cubans, advised that he had no information which would indicate that SOCRATES ALVAREZ is currently active on behalf of the Cuban Government.

MM T-4 said that SOCRATES ALVAREZ was a Sergeant in the Cuban Army for a number of years and was considered as a "PRIO man", that is, and individual who worked for and supported CARLOS PRIO, the former Cuban President who was deposed by FULGENCIO BATISTA, whose government, in turn, was overthrown by the current Cuban Government of FIDEL CASTRO.

MM T-4 said that SOCRATES ALVAREZ is very definitely anti-BATISTA, and was very pro-CASTRO during the active days of the Cuban revolution against BATISTA, but as far as informant knows, he has not been active in anything on behalf of the Cuban Government during 1960.

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JESUS FERMIN GONZALEZ Y CARTAS, 2337 Northwest 95th Terrace, advised SAs WILLIAM P. KELLY and THOMAS H. ERRION on February 9, 1960, that according to unconfirmed information which he had received from acquaintances in Cuba prior to October, 1959, SOCRATES ALVAREZ is an agent of FIDEL CASTRO who operated through CASTRO's Secretary, JUAN ORTA.

GONZALEZ described himself as an associate of ex-Cuban President CARLOS PRIO, and stated that he, GONZALEZ, is known by the nickname of "EL EXTRANO" (The Stranger).

On February 17, 1960, Mr. FRED TART, Manager of the Green Mansions Hotel, 777 Curtiss Parkway, Miami, Florida, advised that an examination of his records under the names of ABELARDO COLOME IBARRA and ANTONIO CUESTA VALDES for the period June and July, 1959, failed to reflect any information concerning anyone with those names.

With regard to the above records, it should be noted that on September 11, 1959, MM T-5, a former Cuban official and businessman with numerous contacts among Cubans in Miami, said that on approximately July 15, 1959, ABELARDO COLOME IBARRA, then Chief of Investigations of the Cuban Department of Investigations of the Revolutionary Army (DIER), came to Miami and /N /959 stayed at the El Comodoro Hotel, 33 Southwest 2nd Avenue, Miami, and the purpose of this trip was to meet those men who were working or would work for him in Miami. [MM T-5] said that ANTONIO CUESTA, who was (N) assistant to COLOME, preceded COLOME by two days to Miami, and telephoned and made sure that the men to meet COLOME would be available. According to informant, when COLOME arrived, the men were called to meet him.

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Informant stated that it was possible that one of the two individuals in question might have used that name to register. ((\mathbf{x})) ((\mathbf{u}))

MM T-1, on March 24, 1960, stated that he had last seen ALVAREZ, with whom he is acquainted, about a year ago. He stated that as best he could recall, ALVAREZ never worked for the Hotel Workers Union, but did work as a bus boy in one or two hotels several years ago in the Miami Beach area, and was used as a union organizer during strike periods by the union.

Informant said that he had no information from other sources that SOCRATES ALVAREZ was an agent of the Cuban Government, but he recalled that on one occasion at a meeting of the July 26 Club of Miami, which was a private meeting held at a location on 9th Avenue between 14th and 15th Streets, Northwest, and which was attended by from fifteen to twenty men, ALVAREZ remarked that he was a registered agent for CASTRO.

[MM T-1] stated that this meeting was held from fifteen to twenty days after February 11, 1959, or in the last week of February, as best he can recall.

Informant stated that at the meeting SOCRATES exhibited a plastic covered card or document of some sort and stated that he was "a registered agent for CASTRO", and said that he was "registered with the American Government".

Informant said that this card appeared to be a small identification card in a sealed, plastic case, which identified ALVAREZ as an agent for CASTRO; however informant stated that he cannot recall the exact wording

