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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 2-1693

FROM SAC, MIAMI 2-312 3P

ANTI-COMMUNIST LEGIONNAIRES, NM. RETELCALL FROM F. BAUMGARDNER AT BUREAU TO MM SIX TWENTY SEVEN SIXTYONE AND MM LETS FIVE ELEVEN AND EIGHTEEN SIXTYONE. RE MM LETS SET FORTH NAMEN JERRY LNU, HENNING, HANNON, AND GERALD PATRICK HENNING. ALL THESE NAMEN HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, AKA BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH EIGHT SIX FOUR ZERO SIX. MM HERALD NEWSPAPER ON SIX TWENTYSEVEN SIXTYONE CARRIED ARTICLE SAYING THAT INTERCONTINENTAL PENETRATION FORCE/INTERPEN/ IS ANTI-COMMUNIST GROUP IN MM SEEKING WAR AND ADVENTURE AND EXISTANCE OF GROUP MADE KNOWN BY FLA. SENATOR GEORGE A. SMATHERS ON SIX TWENTYFIVE SIXTYONE ON A NATIONWIDE RADIO NETWORK. ARTICLE SAYS HEMMING, HEAD OF INTERPEN LOOKS LIKE ACTOR ERROL FLYNN, ADMITS TRAINING FOR ACTION AGAINST FIDEL CASTRO AND TO TRAIN CUBAN REBELS. HEMMING CLAIMED HE HAS CAMP IN FLA. EVERGLADES AND DENIES VIOLATION OF NEUTRALITY LAWS. ARTICLE SAYS CLIMAX OF TRAINING WAS A PARACHUTE JUMP BY EIGHT OR NINE INTERPEN MEMBERS.

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ON SIX TWENTYFOUR SIXTYONE AT SOUTH FLA. AIRFIELD, AND INTERPEN HAS ABOUT HUNDRED MEMBERS. "MM SIX THREE NIN/DASH S MAINTAINS COMPLETE COVERAGE OF THIS ORGANIZATION AND IS ADVISOR TO HEMMING." INFORMANT SAYS ANTI-COMMUNISTS LEGIONNAIRES ALSO USES NAME INTERPEN, HAS ONLY FIFTEEN TO TWENTY MEMBERS WHO ARE MERCENARIES, VAGRANTS, ADVENTURERS, AND UNRELIABLE DELINQUENTS WHOSE AVERAGE IS ABOUT TWENTYTWO YEARS OLD. THERE IS HIGH TURNOVER IN INTERPEN MEMBERSHIP, NO TRAINING CAMP IS NOW MAINTAINED, BUT PERIODICALLY THEY GO INTO EVERGLADES FOR ONE OR TWO DAYS TO IMPRESS CUBANS AND VENEZUELAN HOPING TO GET MONEY DONATIONS. HEMMING AND GROUP DRESS IN ARMY COMBAT CLOTHES, WEAR BEARDS, ARE FREQUENTLY SEEN ON MM STREETS, AND ARE A POLICE PROBLEM. HEMMING HAS VISITED MOST ALL CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATIONS SEEKING DONATIONS, OFFERING HIS SERVICES, BUT HAS BEEN REFUSED BY THE CUBANS. PARACHUTE JUMP ON SIX TWENTYFOUR SIXTYONE WAS AT DAVIE, FLA. TO COLLECT MONEY DONATIONS FROM DIFFERENT INVITED REPRESENTATIVES OF DIFFERENT CUBAN ORGANIZATIONS. INTERPEN MEMBERS ARE BROKE, HUNGRY, AND BEG FOOD FROM CUBAN GROCERY STORES. RECENTLY THEY GOT ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY DOLLARS WORTH OF FOOD FROM SOME VENEZUELAN REPRESENTATIVE OF MARCOS PEREZ JIMINEZ, FORMER VENEZUELAN END PAGE TWO
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