TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1693)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-312)
RE: INTERCONTINENTAL PENETRATION FORCES
(INTERPEN)
NEutrality Matters

Re Kansas City letter with enclosures, 10/4/61, entitled: "JERRY HEMMING, aka, IS - CUBA; Neutrality
Matters,"

On October 19, 1961, AM 639-S and GERALD PATRICK
HEMMING were interviewed separately concerning contents
of Kansas City letter.

Concerning Paragraph 1, page 2 of enclosure,
Informant and HEMMING advised that INTERPEN never had
more than 25 members. Its training camp was located
some forty miles west of Miami, and no ammunition or any
type of weapon whatsoever was ever at the training camp.
HEMMING said that someone had a Bowie knife at the camp,
and this was the only thing that could be classified as
a weapon.
Concerning Paragraph 2, page 2, Informant and HEMMING advised INTERPEN never had any airplanes of any type and that a B-47 is a high altitude jet bomber used by the United States Air Force, costs millions of dollars and is not available to the public.

Only two parachute practices were held, one on June 24, 1961, in which Informant flew the plane, and HEMMING, JOE GARLAN, DICK WORLEY and FRANK LITTLE jumped.

On June 27, 1961, Informant again rented an airplane, and HEMMING, GARLAN, DICK WATLEY, ORLANDO GARCIA and FRANK LITTLE jumped.

Concerning Paragraph 3, page 2, both Informant and Hemming advised that AUGUSTIN CAPO had a boat. CIA furnished money for him to buy radio equipment, but he never left Miami with it. Investigation reflected that CIA wanted CAPO stopped. U.S. Border Patrol was notified, and CAPO never left Miami. The boat was not a PT boat, and it was later repossessed by a creditor. CAPO never had any arms.

There is no reason to believe HEMMING is a double agent. PLATZ's opinion appears to be as incorrect as the information he furnished. Informant said he had never heard of PLATZ, who was never in charge of anything for INTERPEN, and never made any parachute jumps with INTERPEN.

HEMMING advised that PLATZ came to Miami in about March, 1961, worked with JAMES GENTRY, an American soldier of fortune, in a junk yard for about a month and a half. PLATZ went to the INTERPEN training camp, spent one day, returned to Miami, and was never associated with INTERPEN; was never a member, and made no parachute jumps. He never participated in INTERPEN's activities.
HEMMING described PLATZ as an alcoholic, who drinks up to two bottles of vodka a day, who has a reputation for fighting in bars, and is completely unreliable. PLATZ spent the one day at INTERPEN training camp some time in the middle of May, 1961. He was seen by HEMMING the last time about five or six weeks ago in a cheap bar and in a drunken condition.

The Bureau will note that MM 639-S is in close contact with INTERPEN and HEMMING and has been reporting daily on INTERPEN's activities since May, 1961. All information concerning INTERPEN activities has been fully reported to the Bureau, and information furnished by PLATZ is considered to be completely unreliable.