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Re Chicago letter to the Bureau dated May 9, 1960, and WFO airtel to Bureau dated May 18, 1960.

Since the date of referenced letter, contact has been maintained with CG 5904-S. This informant has been alerted to obtain information concerning Cuban intelligence activity. To date he has been unable to furnish any information.

CG 6131-S has advised that a VICTOR RIBINOWITZ (phonetic), a New York attorney, came to Chicago on about June 15, 1960, to organize a branch of a New York organization known as "Fair Play for Cuba Committee." This is a pro-Castro organization desiring to obtain favorable publicity for the revolutionary government of Cuba to counteract recent unfavorable press coverage of the Cuban government. The organization in Chicago is now being directed by JOHN ROSSEN (Chicago file 65-2054, Bureau file 61-10459), and RICHARD CRILEY (Chicago file 100-18030, Bureau file 100-28567). RIBINOWITZ has returned to New York.

The Chicago Office, by letter dated July 14, 1960, captured MARVIN CRAWFORD, aka, advised the Bureau of the results of an interview of JOHN H. JOHNSON, President of the Johnson Publishing Company, employer of MARK CRAWFORD, mentioned in referenced airtel. JOHNSON described CRAWFORD as being, in his opinion, loyal to the United States Government, but an opportunist, lacking in good judgment, and an arrogant and obnoxious individual, while working on a story for the Johnson Publishing Company, which publishes "Ebony," "Jet," "Tan," and "Hue" magazines.

Contact has been maintained with other sources of information in the Latin American field. These are set out in Chicago airtel to Bureau dated January 29, 1960. To date, none has given any indication of activity on the part of the July 26th Movement, White Rose, or any other form of Cuban intelligence activity.