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SUBJECT

POSSIBLE USE BY THE CUBAN REPRESENTATION IN EXILE (RECE) OF THE MOTOR VESSEL FL-8477-F IN ACTIVITY AGAINST CUBA.

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SOURCE AND APPRAISAL

A MEMBER OF A GROUP OF CUBAN EMIGRES TRAINED IN THE TECHNIQUES OF INFORMATION COLLECTION. THE GROUP HAS PROVIDED USEFUL REPORTS SINCE 1961.

1. ON 29 JULY 1965 THE REPRESENTACION CUBANA EN EL EXILIO (RECE, CUBAN REPRESENTATION IN EXILE) HAD A 25-FOOT BOAT, WHICH WAS EQUIPPED WITH TWO 150-HORSEPOWER MERCURY ENGINES, AT THE DOCKS AT 280 NW NORTH RIVER DRIVE, MIAMI, FLORIDA. THE BOAT WAS PAINTED DARK GREEN, CARRIED FLORIDA REGISTRATION FL-8477-F, AND WAS ALMOST READY FOR USE IN OPERATIONS AGAINST CUBA. CARLOS ZARRAGA MARTINEZ AND AUGUSTO "POLO" VALDES MIRANDA WERE UNDERSTOOD TO BE VISITING THE SITE DAILY. (SOURCE COMMENT: VALDES FORMERLY MANAGED THE HATUEY BREWERY IN MANACAS, LAS VILLAS PROVINCE, A FIRM OWNED BY JOSH. M.

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BOSCH LAMARQUE, OF THE SACABET INDUSTRY, AND THE SACABET FAMILY.)

2. DURING ONE OF THEIR VISITS TO THE DOCKS ZARRAGA AND VALDES ALLEGEDLY WERE HEARD SAYING, " WE ARE GOING TO FOUL THE 'GRINGOS' BECAUSE THEY DO NOT EVEN DREAM THAT WE ARE READY TO FIGHT FOR CUBA."

ZARRAGA AND VALDES WERE ALSO SAID TO HAVE MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN THE PRESENCE OF THE DOCK MANAGER AND OF THE CREW OF THE FL-8477-F: "WE GIVE NOTICE TO THOSE WHO ARE CONNECTED WITH THE 'GRINGOS' THAT SOME DAY WE SHALL MAKE WAR ON CASTRO FROM CENTRAL AMERICA."

3. (FIELD COMMENT: ANOTHER SOURCE REPORTED THAT ON 12 AUGUST ORLANDO BOSCH AVILA, HEAD OF THE MOVIMIENTO INSURRECCIONAL DE RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIA (MIRR, INSURRECCIONAL MOVEMENT FOR REVOLUTIONARY RECOVERY), WAS MAKING PLANS TO JOIN AN UNIDENTIFIED MERCHANT VESSEL IN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, ON 24 OR 25 AUGUST AND THAT HIS GROUP HAD BEEN GRANTED PERMISSION TO USE A BOAT BELONGING TO AUGUSTO "POLO" VALDES MIRANDA. VALDES WAS BELIEVED TO BE INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION.)

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