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REINALDO PICO RAMON

(3 packets total)

C-284658 (packet #1)

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CI/OA 201-284658

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Provisional operational approval, 6/15/64 for use by CI staff. Operational approval will follow when all investigation is completed.

-- Cable Secret 162245Z Oct 69 Cite [] 3829 IN 67171

Regret delay determining AMICE-31 (284658) current status regarding class. Problem has been in locating him first thru AMCLEVE-15, both being mutual friends. Subject ? reportedly involved in church fund raising work and spends considerable time away from home.

-- Name check request - 10/8/69

Bring investigation up to date. Subject is reported as currently employed in Caracas at the office of the Coordinator of Economic Affairs. Subject carries S.O. #224428 and was first processed for POA in 1960.

Result; No additional data since 9/23/65 at OS; checks were negative at FBI, ONI, ACSI since '65, and OSI

I&N had report 11/25/69 indicating he initially entered 12/60, later readmitted as Permanent Legal resident 5/20/64. Individual having same name as subject with files at CIA and FBI. File A 12 445 812. DPOB Regla, Havan, Cuba, 7/21/23.7. Initially admitted at New Orleans, LA 12/28/60 and subsequently readmitted at Miami as Permanent Legal resident 5/20/64. 1964 occupation listed as clerk, address 1645 SW 12th Street Miami He had been residing in Venezuela prior to admission. Claimed to be son of Regino Pico, listed mother as Maria de la Paz Ramon, Spouse as Carmen Marcela Pino de Pico In 1963 address: 5413 SW 9th St, Miami..

Most recent information on file: re-entry permit 7/7/68 indicating he was to travel to Guatemala, Slavador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Costa Rico, to attend seminar for trade union education. Claimed to employed as an interpreter for FORDC, 2621 Biscayne Blvd. Miami.

-- 12/5/69 Cancellation of Operational Approval for Pico -- AMICE-31 No operational interest at this time.

-- Request for info and review - 11/17/69 JM

Not known whether present employer of subject is an organ of Venezuelan govt or UN.

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-- 9/30/69 Memo Internal

Requests that OA for Pico be amended for one-time reporting on the October 1969 Quito meeting of the Council of the L.American Confederation of Christian Trade Unions.

-- Cable 1/9/69 IN 68106

Indicates AMICE-31 received salary of \$300 monthly from AMICE payroll until project terminated in 1967.

-- Cable Cite 68107 1/23/69 IN 71598 [] 1594

[] describes AMICE-31 as virile and vain; wife left him; he literally kidnapped his son to Venezuela. [] used name of Douglas Pomeroy with A-31. [] was American who sent A-31 to Santo Domingo from Miami in 1968. A-31 knew previous contact as Pablo.

-- Cable JMWAVE 2626 6/5/68 IN 25149

Indicates AMICE-31 would require \$500 monthly to live modestly here- perhaps too expensive.

-- Cable 5/7/68 IN 05038

AMICE-31 to attend consejo beginning 5/13 in Santo Domingo

-- Cable 9/30/66 IN 07300 Panama City

Indicates AMICE-31 at JMDEVIL. Threat that he will be "unmasked" by Diogenes Gutierrez as penetrator for U.S.

-- 2/16/65 Internal memo RE PRQ I and II

Part I - Alias Elvis Presley
Small scar over left eye == healthy;
Brown hair; blue eyes, 190 lbs; round face' strong build; 6'1"

Member FORDC

Brigade member

Worked for Auto buses Moderno 1957-60; Juventud Obrera Catolica 1952-56

Contact: First contacted by Keith G. Bongirno in May 1964 after his trip to Venezuela. Knows Bongirno as Mr. Johns and AMCLATTER-1 in true name.

Subject receives \$300 monthly salary via AMICE payroll. Knows only Bongirno and AMCLATTER-1

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Subject dynamic, resourceful, and gets things done. Good speaker Leadership qualities. No patience or flair for office work/ Has "enemies because of his "defection" as Playa Giron prisoner (Refused return Cub a w/ rest of prisoners delegation sent to Miami

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- Request for approval or provisional action
6/2/64 use as PA?PROP asset for use in
covert ops. deadline 6/64
- PRQ part I dob 7/21/33
Businessman
- Provisional Operational Approval C-85445 POA granted 10/14/60 - extended
1014/61
- ~~Provisional~~ Request for Approval or investigation
9/21/60 Project JMARC
For use in JMARC PM activities program

PART III

- Unidentified memo (portion) ca. 1969

Indicates Pico runs a sale promotion business that is promoting a raffle for a Venezuelan Army chaplain. He also operates as public relations chief for the newspaper run by a Copei Congressman, and he also hawks books written by Rev. Padre Frixedo that he (Pico) gets from Juan Manuel Iglesias of CLASC.. Author indicates Pico claims to work for Minister of the Interior, but comments that with Pico, it's difficult to determine where the bluff ends and the truth begins.

(Note: author also makes comment about Cuban exile named Luis Posada, allegedly employed in the Ministry of the Interior; denounced as CIA agent but cleared by Vasquez)

- Cable Secret 7/17/69 IN 05005
Indicates no interest in use of AMICE-31
- Cable 10/16/69 IN 67171 Secret
Indicates AMCLEVE-15 mutual friend of AMICE-31 and author
- UFGA 17332 Bio data - Pico
7/21/33 DOB - Regla, Havana, Cuba
Junior high school graduate
1947 Joined JOC high school graduate
1949/50 Cuban labor Youth (JOC) courses, Havana
1951 Delegate to 10th JOC Congress in Costa Rica
Labor leadership training course
1953 Delegate JOC Center American Congress
1954 First JOC Labor Leaders Seminar
1956 Third JOC seminar, Havana

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1957/8 National JOC Propagandist for Costa Rica
 1958 Active member 26th July Movement
 1959 Instructor at seminars for UTC leaders in Colombia
 Appointed delegate of Metropolitan Buses Workers Union
 Secretary Foreign relations National Transport Federation
 Joined FORDC after leaving Cuba in 1959
 National Coordinator MRR

1960 As FORDC delegate conducted lectures for UTC in Colombia

1960/1 Member FORDC

1961 Member Brigade 2506; Prisoner of Playa Giron

1962 Organized "Organizacion Revolucionaria de Transporte" and "Alianza de Trabajadores de Cubanos" (Both now with FORDC)

~~1963~~
 1964 Joined FORDC
 FORDC delegate May 1 Anniversary, Caracas
 FORDC delegate Congress Social Security, Asuncion, Paraguay

1965 CLASC indicated that it wanted him aboard in anticipation salary funds within a few months.

1966 Attended CLASC conference in Medellin

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 CBTC delegate to CLASC congress -
 President of Organizacion Regional de Transporte (ORT - CLASC affiliate and member FORDC)

Travel

3/10/64 U.S./Venezuela - 1 week
 7/14/64 U.S./Venezuela - 15 day visa
 8/1/64 U.S./Dom. Rep. -
 10/14/64 U.S./Venezuela - 10 day visa
 1/21/65 Venez./ Chile - 15 " "
 2/9/65 Chile/Venezuela - 15 day visa
 8/14/65 U.S./Brazil -
 3/2/67 U.S./Venezuela - 30 day visa
 8/30/67 Guatemala/Honduras
 9/12/67 U.S./Latin America

-- Xerox of card for Pico noting POA's etc.

Note: Used in AMICE KUWOLF ops. OA granted 2/4/66

-- Cable Secret 1/9/69 IN 68106 Caracas

Indicates [redacted], last JMWAVE case officer

-- Cable Secret 1/25/65 IN 66678 [redacted]
 CIA Pico

Indicates/consideration of/taking job, if offered by CLASC official, Maspero, but depends on job offered.

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-- Cable from JMWAVE 1/19/65 IN 62266

Hanwritten note:

Subject was fluttered. Union leader in Cuba when Castro took over. Successfully fought Communist takeover in his union. Eventually left Cuba, became member of Cuban forces and was captured during the Bay of Pigs. One of prisoners sent to negotiate for tractor deal in exchange for prisoners. Defected during negotiation trip. Used by WAVE in PW - Member of FORDC - POA expired 1/15/65 because of failure to submit PRQ part II - Jerry Ott had POA reinstated.

-- -- C-300 Archives 2/8/66 CC1700 Bio data

Indicates DD-231 ? Meeting between Manuel Ray Rivero and several persons, in Mimi 6/29/63

Wife: Alica Lugo Valdez

Chief of Action and Sabotage in Havana area for 26th July

Left FORDC from 4/61 until 3/64

DD-505 Function in honor of Jose Ignacio Rivero Hernandez, in Miami, 11/17/63

-- Appilcation for Belgian visapost 8/5/65

for ten day visit beginning 10/12/65 to stay with Auguste Vanier and stendael and Monseigneur J. Cardyn, 78 Blvd Poincare'

Visa made from Sanitago-de-chile 8/11/65

-- 019-300-004 UFG-04575 2/6//64 Doc x-fer

was approached by 201-353107 of JURE and asked to join JURE and become tranport sector. Re to recruitment efforts, trainging, attempts of JURE to activate Costa Rica training base

⊖ Dispatch RBUFGA-2315 from COC, JMWAVE 9/20/61

RE: defection from prisoner's commission. Believes he may have been put on list of prisoners which Castro refuses to return

-- Cable IN 2212 from JMWAVE 5/21/61

Prisoner's commission arrived. William pawley helped arrange for hotel accomodations at Fontainebleau

-- Cable IN 20230 12/21/60 from WAVE

Requests visa assistance fir Reinaldo Pico and Angel Hernandez for use in clandestine ops.

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-- Cable 9/4/60 from Havana IN 47826

Indicates Pico to be exfiltrated from Cuba with CIA help.

-- BIO DATA for Pico undated, unmarked

Recommended by Manuel Artime for the position of Minister of Labor

-- 019-300-002 WAVE 07479 11/14/63

Pico advised Pepe Valdez of Alianza approached 13 Nov by unidentified members of 2506 Brigade for support of claimed 400 Brigade members planning protest demonstration during President's visit Miami Nov. 18

-- 201-042669 UFGT 06553 10/25/63

According to Pico, Paulino A. Sierra claimed to receive funds from Van Gorkon. Re to relationship between Sierra and some American nationals

-- 019-009-012 UFG 03871 10/17/63

Source of info re. Cuban exiles interested in the acts of Paulino Sierra's group.

-- 019-300-004 UFG -3986 11/5/63 WAVE 07048

Has been approached several times by Manuel Ray Rivero seeking unification of their two groups.

-- 019-300-004 UFG 04041 11/15/63

Pico called by Maria Antonio Garcia, Miami chief of JURE for purpose of joining 2 groups in one effort re t to plans of subject 201-239298 and 201-353107 to infiltrate Cuba soon.

-LOOSE DOCUMENTS:

-- Memo)) A 3187652 Internal 5/24/61

RE: arrival and disposition of prisoner's commission to negotiate trade of prisoners for tractors.

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