

- (1) **EDWARD BECKER**
- one main file
- (2) **“BUNNY” BREEN**
- four main files (of Bunny Breen and her akas)
- one miscellaneous “see” reference package
- (3) **J.U.R.E.**
- one main file captioned “Cuban Revolutionary Junta”
- one main file captioned “Junta Cubana Revolucionaria”
- (4) **LORAN EUGENE HALL**
- one main file
- (5) **MOVIMIENTO INSURRECIONAL DE RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIA**
- two sections from the main file (several more sections remain)
- (6) **AGRUPACION MONTECRISTI**
- one main file
- two miscellaneous “see” reference packages
- (7) **SAMUEL SAIA**
- one main file
- two miscellaneous “see” reference packages
- (8) **EVELYN ARCHER**
- one main file
- one miscellaneous “see” reference package
- (9) **SYLVIA ODIO**
- one miscellaneous “see” reference package
- (10) **JUDITH CAMPBELL EXNER**
- five miscellaneous “see” reference packages
- (11) **EDWARD ARTHUR**
- one main file
- two miscellaneous “see” reference package
- (12) **OREST PENA**
- one main file and one volume “EBF” or “enclosure behind file”
- one miscellaneous “see” reference package
- (13) **BILL ALEXANDER**
- one miscellaneous “see” reference package

MEMORANDUM

June 9, 1997

TO: Assassination Records Review Board

FROM: Laura Denk

SUBJECT: HSCA Segregated Collection
File on Evelyn Archer

FILES REVIEWED

We negotiated Evelyn Archer's main file 105-95507, section 1 of 1, and one "see" package.

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

MAIN FILE

Evelyn Archer was the girlfriend of Manuel Arques, a U.S. citizen who was born in Cuba who supported Prio. Arques and Archer lived in Miami, though the file contains some Newark documents because Archer's mother lived in New Jersey. Several individuals identified Arques as a Cuban intelligence agent, but he denied that he was one. In 1958, Archer and Arques were arrested together in Texas for gun running to assist the the Cuban rebels of Castro.

"SEE" FILES

Evelyn Archer's name appears several times in the main file of Manuel Arques, described above, and the FBI processed those documents as part of the Archer "see" package. The 1958 arrest mentioned above also produced a document in the Carlos Prio Socarras file, which is in the "see" package. The remainder of the "see" file is a 143 page document that has been referred to the U.S. Customs Service for processing. The FBI claimed no postponements in that document.

POSTPONEMENTS

MAIN FILE

The only FBI postponement in the file is one classified file number.

"SEE" FILE

The see file contains two FBI postponements -- one is a symbol number and the other is informant identifying information.

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SUBJECT: HSCA Segregated Collection
File on Sylvia Odio

FILES REVIEWED

The FBI has one "see" reference package on Sylvia Odio. The FBI processed its other materials on Sylvia Odio as part of the Lee Harvey Oswald file and the JFK Assassination investigation file.

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

"SEE" FILES

As you know, Sylvia Odio was a Cuban woman who claimed that Lee Oswald was one of three men who came to her house in late September, 1963, in an effort to raise money for Cubans. The "see" package documents came from the FBI files on Sarah Abril, who was Sylvia Odio's mother, and on Julian Orbon, who had an internal security - Cuba file. Orbon called Sylvia Odio in 1965 and Odio's name appeared in a listing of people who Orbon had called.

POSTPONEMENTS in the SEE REFERENCE FILE

The FBI postponements were routine, but very diverse. We agreed to postpone an informant name, some informant identifying information, an informant file number, a classified file number, a classified case name, and an operational detail.

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SUBJECT: HSCA Segregated Collection
"See" reference files on Judith Campbell Exner

FILES REVIEWED

The FBI has five "see" reference packages on Judith Campbell Exner. We also recently located the main file on Judy Exner, which the FBI had previously not been able to locate when we requested it. We will process and negotiate the main Exner file next week.

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

"SEE" FILES

As you know, Judith Campbell Exner was an alleged girlfriend of former President John F. Kennedy. The documents that mention Judith Campbell Exner in the "see" reference packages originated in the FBI's main files on Sam Giancana and John Rosselli.

The only documents that the FBI claimed postponements on and that needed to be negotiated were one document in Volume 4 and one document in Volume 5 of the "see" references.

POSTPONEMENTS in the SEE REFERENCE FILES

The document in Volume 4 of the see reference package raised the issue of informant names and identities that are listed on the administrative pages of a document in another file but that mentions the subject name in the document. In this case, Judith Exner's name was mentioned in a case entitled "Crime conditions in the Los Angeles Division." The administrative pages listed 142 sources, only 5 of these sources provided information that the HSCA actually saw (and only 3 of the sources provided information on Rosselli, which is the only reason that these pages were ever reviewed or processed under the Act.) We agreed with the FBI that we would automatically postpone the names of those sources whose information was never seen by the FBI.

In Volume 5, we agreed to postpone the identity of informants who informed on Los Angeles area organized crime figures in 1969. We protected as little information as possible, but intended to still protect the identity of these individuals who provided no information on the assassination. The FBI released in full all of the information relating directly to Judith Campbell (located on page 8 of the document).

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SUBJECT: HSCA Segregated Collection
File on Edward Arthur

FILES REVIEWED

We negotiated Edward Ivan Arthur's main file 58-8396, section 1 of 1, and two "see" packages.

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

"SEE" FILES

Edward Arthur was the leader of an anti-Castro group named Americans for Freedom, whose purpose was to liberate Cuba by recruiting Americans and training them for combat with the intention of liberating the Cuban people from Castro and the Communists. In the early 1960s, the group planned raids on Haiti and Cuba.

MAIN FILE

The FBI opened its file on Sargeant Edward Ivan Arthur in the early 1970s. Arthur was a confessed gunrunner who admitted he once hauled two tons of weapons across the United States from California to Florida and gave the arms to Cuban underground fighters. His FBI main file is about his testimony to the Watergate committee in which he alleged that television newsman Richard Townley offered Arthur \$25,000 to furnish information regarding military activities in Cuba in order to embarrass the Nixon administration (the volume of military activities in Cuba would look bad for Nixon administration and would help Muskie in his bid for the presidency.) give him information that would have been embarrassing to the Nixon administration. Townley had a history of exposing Govt. officials, as he worked with Walter Sheridan to produce the *White Paper* that trashed Garrison.

Arthur then asked DOJ to investigate this bribe that was "put to him." FBI did interview of Arthur at DOJ's request and file contains interview report.

POSTPONEMENTS

SEE FILE

Informant identifying information. One informant, in particular, seemed to deserve protection.

MAIN FILE

All of the postponements in this file were privacy related. After its interview with Arthur, the FBI checked with local police in Ohio where Arthur lived and learned that Arthur had a long rap sheet. One of the items in the rap sheet contained an allegation that, if revealed, would violate the personal privacy of Arthur and of his accuser.

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File on Orest Pena

FILES REVIEWED

We negotiated Orest Pena's main file 105-130460, section 1 of 1, one "EBF" or "enclosure behind file" and one "see" package.

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

MAIN FILE

As you know, Orest Pena was a New Orleans bar owner who got his passport on the same day as Lee Oswald -- in June of 1963. He was in Mexico in May of 1963. The main file primarily tracks his international travels in 1964.

EBF FILE

The "EBF" file contains a file card indicating that the enclosure is three copies of the passport application of Orest Pena. The application itself has been referred in full to the State Department.

"SEE" REFERENCE FILE

After our negotiation with the FBI, there are no postponements in the Pena "see" reference file.

POSTPONEMENTS

MAIN FILE

This file is full of foreign government information and is not yet ripe for a Board vote. Other FBI postponements include informant symbol numbers,

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File on William Alexander

The FBI only had one "see" package on William Alexander. The FBI did not claim any postponements on documents in this file, so we did not need to negotiate.

