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5 JUN 1964

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

FROM : Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJ : Lee Harvey Oswald (FBI #105-82555, Dallas #100-10461)

REF : Report of FBI special agent, Robert P. Gemberling, dated 23 December 1963.

1. As your Bureau is aware, the Clandestine Services is developing a machine collation program to handle information on the Cuban intelligence and security services. As yet, the data base is very narrow, with the result that any search against the program has a very limited chance of success. Nonetheless, a search was made using those items of information which are known relating to the two letters from Havana, one dated 10 November 1963 and addressed to Oswald, and the other dated 27 November 1963 and addressed to the Attorney General.

2. The assumptions on which the search were made were: that the writer was using elements of a true name (for example, that his true first name was Mario, or Pedro or Charles or Peter); and that the writer was connected in some way with Havana and Miami. The print-out listed 19 names, of which only two seemed to hold any interest. A review of the files on these two eliminated one, leaving a single candidate.

3. It must be emphasized that there is no reason to believe that this man is in fact the writer of the letters except for what may in fact prove to be mere coincidences in first names and in locations; and further that the assumptions on which these similarities are based may themselves be false. Nonetheless, the identity of this single possible candidate is being furnished your Bureau for whatever use is deemed appropriate.

4. The individual is Pedro Mario PALMERO-HERNANDEZ, on whom your Bureau has reported under Internal Security - Cuba, and Registration Act Cuba (Miami Field Office File #105-2343, Bureau File #105-86178). A copy of CSCI-3/762,398, 28 October 1960, to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, is attached.

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3. At the same time, a routine name trace has been run in the main index on the name Mario del Rosario MEJIA, the name with which the 27 November 1963 letter was signed. There were no traces on this name, but information was available on two persons with somewhat similar names. It is not known whether either of these is identical with the writer of the letter, and it should be noted that the name Mario MEJIA is a relatively common one. The following information is submitted as of possible interest:

a) An unevaluated source reported in July 1955 that one Mario MEJIA, an employee of the INES, Institute of Social Security in Guatemala, was joining the UPI (Union Popular Insurrecional), a communist-oriented terrorist organization which was working for the overthrow of the Guatemalan Government and was actively penetrating government offices and bureaus through the establishment of UPI cells within them. Mario MEJIA was believed to be identical with a person of the same name who had received communist propaganda materials from Mexico in 1947 and had been listed in 1949 as a "Communist."

b) A person bearing the name Mario MEJIA Lopez, passport #63/1167 departed Havana, Cuba, on 5 July 1963 on a chartered flight for Prague, Czechoslovakia. It is not known whether this individual has returned to Cuba.

Attachment: a/s

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