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SUBJECT

INFILTRATION INTO CUBA BY MODESTO ORLANDO GREZCO BASULTO

1. AT ABOUT 1800 HOURS, 29 DECEMBER 1964, MRS. JGSEFINA LOPEZ ANGULO DE OROZCO, WIFE OF MODESTO CRLANDO OROZCO BASULTO AKA ''BEBO'', TELEPHONED A CAS JOURCE WHO HAS BEEN FRIENDLY WITH GROZCO FOR SEVERAL YEARS. MRS. OROZCO ASKED THE CAS SCURCE TO VISIT HER AT HER HOME THAT EVENING.

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- 2. THE CAS SOURCE ARRIVED LATER THAT EVENING. MRS. OROZCO ASKED THE CAS SOURCE IF HE KNEW THAT HER HUSBAND HAD LEFT FOR CUBA. CAS SOURCE REPLIED THAT HE HAD HEARD RUMORS TO THAT EFFECT. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT SHE WAS VERY WORRIED ABOUT HER HUSBAND BECAUSE SHE HAD NOT HEARD A WORD FROM OR ABOUT HIM SINCE HE LEFT WITH 2 OTHERS 8 DAYS PREVIOUSLY, ON 21 DECEMBER 1964. OROZCO HAD PLANNED TO RETURN IN A WEEK. MRS. CROZCO ASKED CAS SOURCE TO TRY TO FIND OUT SOMETHING ABOUT CROZCO THROUGH ''HIS FRIENDS IN CUBA''. CAS SOURCE SAID THAT HE WOULD TRY SINCE HER HUSBAND HAD BEEN A GOOD FRIEND OF HIS BUT THAT HE WOULD NEED SOME CETAILS OF THE PROPOSED TRIP TO HELP HIM IN HIS INVESTIGATIONS.
- 3. MRS. OROZCO SAIO THAT HER HUSBAND HAD GONE INTO CUBA TO RESCUE JOSE VASQUEZ NEREY AND 3 OTHERS WHO WERE HIDING IN THE HOME OF AWOMAN NAMED GLORIA CABRERA WHO LIVED AT NO.72 27TH STREET BETWEEN "N" AND "O", APT. 3, VEDADO, HAVANA. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT THE ADDRESS HAD BEEN GIVEN TO OROZCO BY HORTENSIA ORIZONDO MENESES /ACSI SCURCE NO. 180/. MRS. OROZCO ADDED THAT BOTH SHE AND HER HUSBAND HAD KNOWN GLORIA CABRERA IN THE SIERRA MAESTRAS AND THAT SHE /MRS. OROZCO/ DID NOT TRUST HER BECAUSE "SHE HAD BEEN COMPLETELY WITH THE REGIME UNTIL ONLY A FEW MONTHS AGO".
- 4. MRS. GROZCO TGLD CAS SGURCE THAT HER HUSBAND HAD BEEN VISITED ABOUT FIVE TIMES BETWEEN HID-NOVEMBER AND MID-DECLMBER 1964 BY A PUERTO RICAN WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS "JORGE". IT WAS "JORGE", ACCORDING TO MRS. GROZCO, WHO TOLD HER HUSBAND OF THE PLIGHT OF JOSE VASQUEZ NEREY. DURING THE SECOND OR THIRD MEETING, "JORGE" MENTIONED THE NAME OF "HORTENSIA", LATER IDENTIFIED AS HORTENSIA GRIZONDO MENESES, AND. AGAIN ACCORDING TO MRS. GROZCO, ORIZONDO WAS FROM THAT TIME GROZCO'S CONTACT IN THE VASQUEZ AFFAIR. ALTHOUGH "JORGE" DID NOT AT ANY TIME REPRESENT HIMSELF AS CIA, MRS. GROZCO ASSUMED THAT HE WAS SENT BY CIA. THIS ASSUMPTION SHE PASSED ON TO CAS SOURCE. "JORGE" NEVER IDENTIFIED THE GRGANIZATION WHICH HE REPRESENTED BUT HE DID TELL MRS. GROZCO THAT HE WAS NOT FROM CIA. "JORGE" DID, HOWEVER, CONTINUE TO REPRESENT HIMSELF AS HAVING OFFICIAL BACKING FROM THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. "JORGE" WAS DESCRIBED AS 5' 6" TO 8", MEDIUM BUILD, DARK BROWN SLICKED-BACK HAIR WITH NO PART, DARK BROWN EYES, CLIVE COMPLEXION, ABOUT 33 YEARS OLD, AND SPEAKING NEAR-PERFECT SPANISH.
- 5. THE CAS SOURCE REMARKED THAT A TRIP OF THIS NATURE REQUIRED A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MCNEY AND SUPPLIES. WHO HAD HELPED OROZCO TO GET THE BOAT, TO EQUIP IT AND FUEL IT AND TO PROVIDE THE OTHER NECESSITIES? MRS. OROZCO REPLIED THAT THE FINDING, EQUIPPING AND READYING OF THE BOAT HAD BEEN HER HUSBAND'S RESPONSIBILITY BUT THAT ORIZONDO HAD PROVIDED THE FUNDS. AS WILL BE SEEN BELOW, THIS ALLEGATION THAT ORIZONDO WAS THE PAYMASTER FOR OROZCO'S TRIP IS SUPPORTED BY A SIMILAR STATEMENT BY ANOTHER CAS SUB-SOURCE TO WHOM OROZCO TALKED QUITE FREELY ABOUT A WEEK BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE/.

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- 6. CAS SOURCE ASKED MRS. OROZCO INTO WHICH AREA DID HER HUSBAND INTEND TO INFILTRATE CUBA. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT HE PLANNED TO GO INTO NORTHEASTERN MATANZAS PROVINCE TO THE MARTI AREA WHERE HE HAD SEVERAL CONTACTS WHO HAD HELPED HIM IN THE PAST. CAS SOURCE PRESSED FOR OTHER DETAILS OF THE ACTUAL SITE OF INFILTRATION BUT MRS. OROZCO PROTESTED IGNORANCE OF FURTHER DETAILS. SHE SAID THAT HER PUSDAND HAD WITH PIN AN "EXPEPT" NAMED "MATEO" WHO KNEW THE AREA COMPLETELY. /"MATEO" WAS LATER IDENTIFIED AS ALBERTO GONZALEZ ORTIZ. CAS FILES INDICATE THAT GONZALEZ HAS MADE A NUMBER OF CLANDESTINE TRIPS TO CUBA WHILE CONTRACTING TO BRING OUT RELATIVES OF EXILES FOR MONEY. HIS REPUTATION IS UNSAVORY BASED UPON THE GENERALLY-ACCEPTED FACT THAT HE HAS ACCEPTED LARGE SUMS OF MONEY TO BRING FAMILIES OUT AND HAS FREQUENTLY FAILED TO MAKE GOOD. HIS PROMISES. IT IS ALSO A COMMONLY-ACCEPTED FACT AMONG THE EXILE FISHERMEN THAT GONZALEZ WILL NEVER UNDERTAKE SUCH A TRIP UNLESS HE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY PAID OR IS COMPLETELY CERTAIN THAT THE MONEY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE UPON HIS RETURNY.
- 7. MRS. GROZCO SAID THAT SHE DID NOT KNOW THE NAME OF HER HUSBAND'S INTENDED PRIMARY CONTACT IN THE MARTI AREA. SHE MENTIONED GNE "CANDIDG" DIAZ, A FISHERMAN, AND ONE PEDRO BARBI, THE CWNER OF THE BATE MARINO RESTAURANT IN CARDENAS. DROZCO HAD TOLD HIS WIFE THAT HE INTENDED TO SEE THESE PERSONS TO HELP HIM WITH TRANSPORTATION TO HAVANA AND TO PROVIDE HIM WITH FUNDS /MRS. GROZCO CONTENDS--AND IT IS A SORE POINT WITH HER--THAT DROZCO LEFT WITH ONLY A FEW COUNTERFEIT PESOS/. CNCE IN HAVANA, CROZCO PLANNED TO GO FIRST TO THE HOME OF MARIO GIL GONZALEZ /HIS PATRONYMIC HAS ALSO BEEN SPELLED "HILL"/. FROM THERE, DROZCO PLANNED TO GO DIRECTLY TO THE ADDRESS OF THE CABRERA WOMAN WHICH HE HAD RECEIVED FROM ORIZONDO, PICK UP VASQUEZ AND GROUP AND LEAVE.
- 8. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT HER HUSBAND TOLD HER THAT HE WOULD SEND A TELEGRAM TO HER AS SOON AS HE REACHED HAVANA SAFELY. SHORTLY BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE, HE WOULD SEND ANOTHER CABLE IN PRE-ARRANGED CODE TO INDICATE THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY GUT. MRS. OROZCO WAS THEN TO CALL ORIZONDO WHO WAS TO ARRANGE AN AIR SEARCH FOR THE BOAT. /AS LATER TOLD BY MRS. OROZCO, INCLUSION OF THE WORD 'BIEN' /GOOD/IN A CABLE INDICATED THAT OROZCO WAS SAFE IN HAVANA. INCLUSION OF THE WORD 'SALIO' /LEFT OR DEPARTED/ WOULD INDICATE THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY OUT.
- 9. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT ORIZONDO HAD CALLED HAVANA CN 30 DECEMBER 1964, PRESUMABLY TO THE CABRERA WOMAN'S HOME. VASQUEZ HIMSELF HAD ANSWERED THE PHONE AND STATED THAT THERE WAS NO NEWS FROM OROZCO OR FROM ANYONE ELSE. VASQUEZ AND THE GROUP WERE STILL WAITING FOR CONTACT.
- 10. CAS SOURCE ASKED MRS. OROZCO HOW MUCH MONEY OROZCO HAD LEFT BEHIND FOR HER SUPPORT. SHE REPLIED THAT HER HUSBAND HAD LEFT \$50.00 BUT THAT HE HAD TOLD HER TO RE-CONTACT ORIZONDO IF SHE SHOULD NEED MORE.
- 11. A CAS SUB-SOURCE REPORTED THAT OROZCO HAD COME TO HIS HOME ON 12 DECEMBER AND HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE PLANNED TO GO TO CUBA TO RESCUE VASQUEZ. OROZCO SHOWED SUB-SOURCE A RECEIPT FOR ,41.00 FOR REPAIR TO AN OUTBOARD MGTOR. OROZCO SAID THAT THE BOAT WAS NOT FAST BUT QUITE SEAWORTHY. OROZCO SAID THAT ORIZONDO HAD PAID THE BILL FOR THE MOTOR REPAIRS AND HAD PROVIDED THE OTHER NECESSARY FUNDS. OROZCO NAMED ORIZONDO AS A PERSON WHOM HE /CROZCO/ HAD BROUGHT OUT OF CUBA AND WHO HAD WORKED IN CUBA UNDER ONE DAYID CABEZAS. AS REPORTED BY SUB-SOURCE, GROZCO TOLD HIM THAT CRIZONDO HAD TOLD HIM OF VASQUEZ' DANGER AND ASKED FOR HIS HELP IN RESCUING HIM. GROZCO TOLD SUB-SOURCE THAT HE HAD REPLIED THAT HE WOULD DO ANYTHING TO HELP HIS FRIEND VASQUEZ BUT THAT HE WANTED TO KNOW WHO THE PEOPLE WERE BEHIND HER /ORIZONDO/. GRIZONDO HAD REPLIED THAT SHE WAS GOING TO PUT HIM IN TOUCH WITH A PERSON WHO SPOKE FLUENT SPANISH BUT WAS NOT CUBAN. THIS WAS 'JORGE' AND FROM WHAT SUBSOURCE IS ABLE TO RECONSTRUCT OROZCO MET 'JORGE' IN A BAR ON FLAGLER STREET ON THURSDAY MORNING, 10 DECEMBER 1964. /HERE THE ACCOUNT OF THIS SUB-SOURCE IS SOMEWHAT AT VARIANCE WITH WHAT

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MRS. OROZCO TOLD CAS SCURCE/.

- 12. OROZCO TOLD SUB-SOURCE THAT GRIZONDO HAD SET UP THE MEET-ING FOR WESNESDAY MORNING, 9 DECEMBER, WITH THE TWO PERSONS WHO WOULD ACCOMPANY HIM ON THE TRIP. CROZCO MET THEM ON FLAGLER STREET AT A SPECIFIC CORNER LHICH GROZCO DID NOT MENTION TO SUB-SOURCE.
- 13. OROZCO SAID THAT HE HAD ASKED FOR A RECEIVED \$400.00 FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE CREW /IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER OROZCO ACTUALLY RECEIVED THIS SUM OF MONEY FOR HIMSELF AS WELL/ PLUS A PROMISE TO TAKE CARE OF ALL OF THEIR FAMILIES IF THEY DID NOT RETURN.
- 14. OROZCO CALLED SUB-SOURCE BY TELEPHONE LATE ON THE LYENING OF 14 DECEMBER TO TELL HIM THAT HE WAS ''ON HIS WAY TO THE KEYS''. OROZCO TOLD SUB-SOURCE THAT THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONEY AND THE ASSURANCES TO TAKE CARE OF THE FAMILIES HAD BEEN AGREED UPON.
- 15. AT A SECOND MEETING BETWEEN MRS. ORCZCO AND CAS SCURCE ON B JANUARY, MRS. ORCZCC TOLD CAS SCURCE THAT SHE HAD COME INTO THE POSSESSION OF SCHE INFORMATION FROM AN UNNAMED FISHERMAN WHO HAD RECENTLY COME OUT OF CUBA. THIS INFORMATION INDICATED THAT SEVERAL ARRESTS HAD BEEN MADE IN THE SAME AREA IN WHICH HER HUSBAND INTENDED TO INFILTRATE. MRS. CROZCO SAID THAT SHE HAD ALSO HEARD A RADIO BROADCAST THE DAY BEFORE, 7 JANUARY, STATING THAT 4 INFILTRATCRS HAD BEEN PICKED UP IN THE CARDENAS/MATANZAS AREA OF MATANZAS PROVINCE. MRS. OROZCO HAD CALLED ORIZONDO AND INSISTED UPON SEEING "JORGE" TO GIVE THIS INFORMATION TO HIM PERSONALLY.
- 16. "JORGE" AND ORIZONDO ARRIVED AT HER HOME ABOUT 2000 HOURS, 7 JANUARY. MRS. ORCZCO SAID THAT SHE TOLD "JORGE" THE INFORMATION ABOUT ARRESTS IN THE AREA AND MENTIONED A PERSON NAMED "PEDRO". MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT "JORGE" HAD PRICKED UP HIS EARS AT THE MENTION OF THE HAME "PEDRO". "JORGE" ASKED MRS. OROZCO THE LAST NAME OF "PEDRO". MRS. CROZCO REPLIED THAT SHE DID NOT KNOW. "JORGE" ASKED WHAT BUSINESS THIS "PEDRO" WAS IN. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT SHE THOUGHT THAT "PEDRO" CANED A RESTAURANT IN CARDENAS, MATANZAS PROVINCE. ACCORDING TO MRS. OROZCO, "JORGE" THEN IDENTIFIED "PEDRO" AS PEDRO BARBI /OR BALBI/ FEBLES AND SAID THAT BARBI DID NOT "WORK WITH THE AMERICANS" OR WITH ANY ORGANIZATION BUT THAT HE HAD HELPED MANY PEOPLE. MRS. GROZCO SAID THAT THIS PIECE OF NEWS WORRIED HER GREATLY BECAUSE HER HUSBAND HAD TOLD HER HE INTENDED TO CONTACT THIS PERSON. ACCORDING TO MRS. OROZCO, ORIZONDO THEN BROKE INTO THE CONVERSATION TO DECLARE THAT "WE" / PRESUMABLY MEANING SHE AND "JORGE" HAD DONE ALL THE PLANNING FOR OROZCO'S TRIP AND THAT CROZCO WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO CONTACT BARBI ACCORDING TO THIS PLAN. MRS. OROZCO REPORTED THAT "JORGE" DID NOT COMMENT ABOUT ORIZONDO'S USE OF THE TERM "WE".
- 17. THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE AUTOMOBILE IN WHICH "JORGE" AND ORIZONDO ARRIVED WAS NOTED AS A NEW YORK PLATE, BU-5523. THE CAR WAS DESCRIBED AS A LARGE FIAT. THIS LICENSE NUMBER WAS TRACED AND IT WAS REPORTED BY THE NEW YORK MOTOR VEHICLE AUTHORITIES THAT IT WAS REGISTERED TO ONE LEWIS BURNS, 75 EAST PARADE AVENUE. BUFFALO, NEW YORK. THE ONLY OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS INDICATED THAT BURNS WAS BORN 11-10-98, THAT HE WAS RETIRED AND THAT THE AUTOMOBILE REGISTERED UNDER THIS NUMBER HAD BEEN A 1950 BUICK. MRS. CROZCO SAID SHE THOUGHT THAT THIS WAS THE SAME CAR "JORGE" HAD USED ON PREVIOUS VISITS.
- 18. MRS. OROZCO SHOWED CAS SCURCE A NOTE WHICH MRS. OROZCO IDENTIFIED AS HAVING BEEN WRITTEN BY GRIZONDO TO HER HUSBAND /SEE ATTACHMENT A/. THE NOTE WHICH WAS NOT DATED STATED THAT THE ACCOMPANYING ,500.00 WAS FOR OROZCO TO USE TO BEGIN PREPARATIONS FOR HIS TRIP. ANOTHER \$200.00 WAS FORTHCOMING BUT SHE ADVISED

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OROZCO NOT TO TELL THIS TO "'LOS MUCHACHOS", PRESUMABLY OROZCO'S CREW MEMBERS. THE NOTE MENTIONED A PERSON ANMED "'4LDC" AND ALSO "JURGE". MRS. OROZCO SAID SHE DID NOT THINK ORIZCHDO REALIZED THAT SHE /MRS. OROZCO/ HAS STILL IN POSSESSION OF THIS NOTE.

- 19. MRS. OROZCO REPORTED THAT ORIZONDO HAD RETURNED TO HER HOUSE THE MCRNING AFTER HER VISIT WITH 'JORGE'. MRS. GROZCO SAID THAT ORIZONDO HAD BEEN VERY WATCHFUL AND THAT IT SETMED TO MRS. OROZCO THAT THE PURPOSE OF DRIZONDO'S TRIP WAS TO ATTEMPT TO WHITE-WASH 'JURGE' OF ANY CONNECTION WITH OROZCO'S TRIP. /THIS INFORMATION WAS VOLUNTEERED FREELY TO CAS SOURCE AS AN OBSERVATION OF MRS. OROZCO/. URIZONDO TOLD MRS. OROZCO THAT 'JORGE' HAD ONLY COME ALONG WITH HER THE PREVIOUS LYLINING DECAUSE HE WAS INTERESTED IN WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO OROZCO AND THAT HE 'JORGE' HAD HAD ORIZONDO THAT IT HAD BEEN 'JORGE' WHO HAD ORIGINALLY COME TO SEE OROZCO TO TELL HIM ABOUT VASQUEZ'S PLIGHT AND THAT 'JORGE' HAD VISITED DROZCO SEVERAL TIMES THEREAFTER. HOW WAS IT POSSIBLE THAT 'JORGE' HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH CROZCO'S TRIP, ASKED MRS. GROZCO. ORIZONDO PROTESTED THAT 'JORGE ' WAS ONLY INVOLVED IN TRYING TO GET INFORMATION ABOUT VASQUEZ.
- 20. MRS. CROZCO REMARKED SCMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT SHE DID NOT KNOW IF ORIZONDO CONSIDERED HER A CCMPLETE FCOL BUT SHE /MRS. OROZCO/ KNEW THAT SUCH A TRIP REQUIRED A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF MONEY, AT LEAST \$10GO.OO, AND THAT SHE WAS CERTAIN THAT ORIZONDO CID NOT HAVE THAT KIND OF MONEY OF HER CWH. ORIZONDO REPORTEDLY REPLIED THAT SHE HAD RAISED THE MONEY FROM FRIENDS. MRS. OROZCO PERSISTED AND STATED THAT SHE WAS COMPLETELY SURE IN HER OWN MIND THAT IT HAD BEEN ''THIS GENTLEMAN JORGE'' WHO HAD SUPPLIED THE MONEY. ORIZONDO DID NOT ANSWER. /SEE PARA 26 BELCW IN WHICH MRS. OROZCO CLAIMED TO HAVE OVERHEARD A CONVERSATION BETWEEN ''JORGE'' AND GROZCO IN WHICH ''JORGE'' STATED HE COULD NOT SUPPORT OROZCO'S TRIP DIRECTLY BUT COULD SUPPLY FUNDS/.
- 21. MRS. OROZCO TOLD ORIZONDO THAT SHE WAS STILL UNCERTAIN OF "JORGE'S" CREDENTIALS. MRS. CROZCO TOLD ORIZONDO THAT HER HUSBAND HAD HAD GREAT TRUST IN ORIZONDO AND SHE /MRS. OROZCO/ REALIZED THAT ANYTHING ORIZONDO WAS INVOLVED IN WAS TO HER HUSBAND'S BEST ADVANTAGE BUT AT THE SAME TIME SHE COULD NOT BRING HERSELF TO FEEL THE SAME CONFIDENCE IN "JORGE" AS SHE FELT IN ORIZONDO. ORIZONDO TOLD MRS. OROZCO THAT "JORGE" WAS NOT CUBAN BUT PUERTO RICAN, AN AMERICAN CITIZEN WHO WORKED FOR THE "PENTAGON". ORIZONDO SAID THAT SHE HERSELF WAS NOT ACTIVELY WORKING FOR THE "PENTAGON" ANY LONGER BUT THAT THERE ARE TIMES WHEN HER FORMER EMPLOYERS NEED HELP AT WHICH TIMES THEY CALL UPON HER /ORIZONDO/. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT HER HUSBAND HAD TOLD HER THAT BOTH ORIZONDO AND "JORGE" WORKED FOR THE "PENTAGON".
- 22. ORIZONDO TOLD MRS. OROZCO THAT SHE WOULD PROVIDE TO MRS. OROZCO ANY MONEY THAT SHE NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE FAMILY. ON 4 CR 5 JANUARY, CRIZONDO HAD GIVEN MRS. GROZCO \$100.00 TO PAY HER RENT /FOR WHICH SUM MRS. OROZCO DID NOT SIGN A RECEIPT/. ORIZONDO ALSO TOLD MRS. OROZCO THAT ''JORGE'' WOULD BE OUT OF TOWN FOR AN UN-
- 23. OROZONDO PAID MRS. OROZCO ANOTHER VISIT ON 11 JANUARY. ACCORDING TO MRS. CROZCO, ORIZONDO NOW CLAIMED THAT NEITHER SHE NOR "JORGE" HAD HAD ANYTHING TO DC WITH CROZCO'S TRIP, THAT IN FACT THEY HAD BOTH TRIED TO TALK HIM OUT CF MAKING THE TRIP.
- 24. ANOTHER SUB-SOURCE PAID A SOCIAL VISIT TO MRS. OROZCO ON THE EVENING OF 11 JANUARY. MRS. OROZCO SHOWED THIS SUB-SOURCE THE SAME NOTE WHICH INDICATED THAT ORIZONDO HAD GIVEN OROZCO 5500.00 FOR THE INITIAL PREPARATIONS FOR HIS TRIP. MRS. OROZCO TOLD THIS

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SUB-SOURCE THAT BOTH GRIZCHDO AND ''JORGE'' WORK FOR THE PENTAGON AND ALSO MENTICNED ORIZGHDO'S VISITS ON 8 AND 11 JANUARY IN WHICH GRIZCHDO ATTEMPTED TO DISCLAIM ANY PART FOR HERSELF OR ''JORGE'' IN OROZCO'S TRIP. MRS. GROZCO TOLD THIS SUB-SOURCE THAT SHE WAS GOING TO PUT PRESSURE UPON THESE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PENTAGON /GRIZONDO AND ''JORGE''; TO LITHER GET HER HUSBAND OUT OF CUBA OR FAILING THAT TO BUY HIM OUT.

- 25. ''JORGE'' PAID AN UNANNOUNCED VISIT TO MRS. CROZCO ON 13 JANUARY. DURING THIS VISIT, HE CONFIDED TO MRS. CROZCO THAT HIS NAME WAS NOT ''JORGE'' BUT ''TORRES''. ''TORRES'' SAID THAT HIS ORGANIZATION HAD NOT BEEN INTERESTED IN VASQUEZ BUT IN TWO AGENTS /HE USED THE TERM ''AGENTES''/ WHO WERE IN HIDING IN THE SAME HOUSE WITH VASQUEZ. AT WHICH POINT MRS. CROZCO ASKED ''TORRES'' HOW HE HAPPENED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS IF HIS CLAIM WERE TRUE THAT HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH HER HUSBAND'S TRIP. ''TORRES'' MADE NO ROPLY, ACCORDING TO MRS. OROZCO.
- 26. MRS. CROZCO THEN CCMMENTED THAT SHE KNEW FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE HOW DIFFICULT IT WAS TO RAISE EVEN A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS IN THE EXILE CCMMUNITY. SHE SAID THAT SHE KNEW CRIZCHDO DID NOT HAVE THE \$1000.00 CR MORE WHICH HAD BEEN SPENT FOR HER HUSBAND'S TRIP. THIS LED HER TO THE CONCLUSION, MRS. GROZCO SAID, THAT ''TORRES'' AND HIS ORGANIZATION HAD SUPPLIED THE FUNDS. AGAIN THERE WAS NO REPLY FROM ''TORRES''. /CN 11 JANUARY 1964, MRS. GROZCO TOLD SAME CAS SCURCE MENTICNED IN INITIAL PARAGRAPHS THAT SHE HAD OVERHEARD A CONVERSATION BETWEEN HER HUSBAND AND ''TORRES'' A WEEK OR TWO BEFORE OROZCO'S DEPARTURE IN WHICH ''TORRES'' TOLD OROZCO THAT HE COULD NOT SUPPORT HIS TRIP ''DIRECTLY'' BUT COULD PROVIDE MONEY WHICH OROZCO COULD USE TO MAKE HIS OWN PREPARATIONS/.
- 27. MRS. OROZCO SAID THAT SHE HAD HAD TWO SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO BRING UP TO ''TORRES''. ONE, THAT IF WORD WERE RECEIVED FROM HER HUSBAND THAT HE WAS STILL HIDING OUT, ''TORRES''' CRGANIZATION SEND A BOAT IN TO HELP HIM EXFILTRATE. THE OTHER WAS THAT IF IT BECAME CONFIRMED THAT HER HUSBAND WAS A PRISONER, ''TORRES''' ORGANIZATION NEGOTIATE FOR HIS RELEASE THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. AS PART OF THIS LAST PROPOSAL, MRS. CROZCO SUGGESTED THAT SHE BE PROVIDED WITH SUFFICIENT MONEY TO TRAVEL TO MEXICO TO TAKE UP HER HUSBAND'S CASE PERSONALLY WITH THE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO. ''TORRES'' SAID THAT HE HAD TO TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH HIS ORGANIZATION.
 ''TORRES'' RE-EMPHASIZED THAT HE PERSONALLY HAD HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH HER HUSBAND'S TRIP. HE WAS STILL ATTEMPTING TO USE ALL THE RESOURCES AT HIS COMMAND TO FIND OUT WHAT HAD HAPPENED TO OROZCO AND WHILE HE WAS VERY SCRRY ABOUT HER HUSBAND'S MISFORTUNE, HE STATED THAT IT HAD BEEN CROZCO'S OWN DECISION TO GO ON THIS TRIP.
- 28. UPON LEAVING, MRS. OROZCO TOOK NOTE OF THE LICENSE NUMBER ON ''TORRES' '' BLACK VOLKSWAGEN. SHE ASSUMED BUT COULD NOT BE CERTAIN THAT IT WAS A FLORIDA LICENSE PLATE, NO.68D1304 OR 68D 1344. ACCORDING TO A CAS' INVESTIGATION, THE PREFIX ''68D'' REPRESENTS A PLATE BLOCKED AT THE TALLAHASSEE LEVEL FOR THE COVERT USE OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.
- 29. ORIZONDO VISITED MRS. OROZCO LATER THAT SAME EVENING OF 13 JANUARY. SHE SEEMED SURPRISED TO LEARN THAT "JORGE" HAD VISITED MRS. OROZCO EARLIER THAT DAY. ORIZONDO ATTEMPTED TO CONVINCE MRS. OROZCO THAT THE "JORGE" MENTIONED IN A HOTE SHE HAD LEFT FOR OROZCO WAS ONE JORGE MAYO /OR MALLO/ CARDOSO, A FRIEND OF OROZCO'S IN THE REBEL-ARMY-IN-EXILE ORGANIZATION "EJERCITO LIBERTADOR" TO WHICH ANOTHER CLOSE FRIEND OF OROZCO'S, JOSE LOPEZ LEGON AKA "PEPE EL TORO" BELGNGS. MRS. OROZCO REMARKED TO ORIZONDO THAT SHE DID NOT KNOW HOW STUPID GRIZONDO CONSIDERED HER TO BE BUT THAT SHE WAS COMPLETELY CERTAIN THAT THE "JORGE" MENTIONED IN THE NOTE WAS THE SAME "JORGE" WHO HAD VISITED HER AND HER HUSBAND. MRS. OROZCO ALSO TOLD ORIZONDO CONFIRMED THAT THIS WAS HIS NAME.

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- IN ATTEMPTING TO RE-CONSTRUCT HOW MUCH MONEY WAS SPENT TO PREPARE THE BOAT AND EQUIPMENT FOR GROZO'S TRIP, IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT GROZO WAS EXAGGERATING WHEN HE SAID THAT HE HAD ASKED FOR AND RECEIVED ,400.00 FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE CREW. MRS. GROZCO HAS STATED THAT OROZCO HAD GIVEN THEM EACH \$200.00 AND SHE THOUGHT BUT WAS NOT COMPLETELY CERTAIN THAT HE HAD LATER GIVEN EACH OF THEM AN ADDITIONAL UNSPECIFIED SUM. STARTING WITH THE FIGURE OF \$700.00 WHICH IS MENTICHED IN THE ATTACHED NOTE FROM ORIZONDO, IT APPEARS SAFE TO SAY THAT MOST IF NOT ALL OF THAT SUM WOULD HAVE BEEN PAID OUT FOR FUEL /AT LEAST 50 GALLONS SINCE IT HAD BEEN A 50-GALLON TANK WHICH HAD EXPLODED AND HAD TO BE REPLACED, FOOD FOR ONE WEEK, THE ITEMS /KNIVES, PONCHOS, CANTEENS, FATIGUE UNIFORMS, AMMUNITION, ETC./
 WHICH MRS. OROZCO CLAIMS OROZCO BOUGHT IN AN ARMY/NAVY STORE PLUS
 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS BOAT ITEMS. ADD TO THIS \$700.00, THE \$200.00
 APIECE FOR THE TWO FISHERMEN /WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN MORE/, THE
 \$41.00 FOR THE REPAIR OF THE BOAT ENGINE, THE ESTIMATED \$100.00 TO
 REPLACE THE 50 GALLON FUEL TANK. THE \$100.00 GIVEN TO MRS. OROZCO PEPLACE THE SO GALLON FUEL TANK, THE \$100.00 GIVEN TO MRS. OROZCO BY ORIZONDO, AND THE TOTAL /A CONSERVATIVE ONE AT THAT/ AMOUNTS TO APPROXIMATELY \$1341.00. MRS. GROZCO SAID THAT SHORTLY BEFORE HER HUSBAND'S DEPARTURE, ONLY \$125.00 REMAINED OF THE INITIAL SUM.
 THE GROUP LEFT FOR THE MARATHON AREA A DAY BEFORE THEIR ACTUAL DE-PARTURE AND HAD TO RETURN TO MIAMI BECAUSE THEY HAD FORGOTTEN THE KEYS TO THE BOAT. MRS. GROZCO SAID THAT THE \$50.00 SHE RECEIVED FROM HER HUSBAND WAS TAKEN FROM THE REMAINING \$125.00 AND SHE ASSUMES THAT THE BALANCE OF 575.00 WAS SPENT FOR MOTEL ROOMS IN THE KEYS AND FOR OTHER LAST-MINUTE PURCHASES. THE ONLY ITEMS FURNISHED TO OROZCO, ACCORDING TO HIS WIFE, WERE AN M-1 RIFLE AND AN M-1 CARBINE WHICH ORIZONDO HAD GIVEN HIM /HRS. CROZCO THOUGHT THAT THEY HAD HAD TO BUY THE AMMUNITION FOR THESE WEAPONS/, AND A PISTOL OF UNIDENTIFIED WAKE BY LAUREAND BATTETA FALLA OF THE MOC. CONSISTIAN DEMOCRATIC MAKE BY LAUREAND BATISTA FALLA OF THE MDC /CHRISTIAN DEMCCRATIC MOVEMENT/ WHO ALSO GAVE OROZCO A MEANS OF ENTREE TO THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN CUBA IF HE SHOULD RUN INTO UNFORESEEN DIFFICULTIES. OROZCO ALSO BOUGHT OR RECEIVED FROM SOME UNNAMED SOURCE AN UNKNOWN AMOUNT OF COUNTERFEIT PESOS.
- 31. AS ATTACHMENT B TO THIS MEMORANDUM, A COPY OF ANOTHER NOTE FROM ORIZONDO TO OROZCO RECOMMENDING AN INDIVIDUAL WHO COULD PROVIDE A BOAT FOR HIS INFILTRATION IS APPENDED FOR YOUR REFERENCE. THIS INDIVIDUAL IS BELIEVED TO BE ACSI SOURCE NO. 693.
- 32. CAS WOULD APPRECIATE ACSI COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE PARAGRAPHS, PARTICULARLY AS THESE CONTAIN CERTAIN ALLEGATIONS AGAINST ''JORGE' AND ORIZONDO. SINCE IT IS NOW APPARENT THAT ''JORGE' AND ''TORRES' ARE ONE AND THE SAME, IT IS BELIEVED THAT FURTHER INVESTIGATION INTO THE IDENTITY OF THIS INDIVIDUAL IS UNNECESSARY.

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BEBO -

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I AM LEAVING YOU 5500 SO THAT YOU CAN GO TO SEE ALDO EARLY AND BEGIN THE PREPARATIONS. TONIGHT I WILL HAVE \$200 MORE AND I WILL TRY TO OBTAIN THE REST. FIND OUT IF THEY OBTAINED SOME MONEY, I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THIS BUT IT WOULD BE CONVENIENT ANYWAY. JORGE WAS HERE TONIGHT. YOU CAN COME TOMORROW NIGHT TO ARRANGE ALL THE DITAILS.

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TAKE CARE OF THE TANK AS YOU THINK IS BEST. SINCE YOU ALREADY PAID FOR IT, YOU CAN PICK IT UP AND TELL THE BOYS THAT DUE TO THE BAD WEATHER IT IS BEST TO WAIT. IN ORDER TO AVOID HAVING THE "RUMOR" SPREAD DOWN FLAGLER STREET, I DON'T THINK IT IS CONVENIENT TO SAY ANYTHING ON THIS OTHER MATTER TO THE BOYS UNTIL LATER ON. THINK ABOUT IT AND SEE WHAT IS BEST ON THIS MATTER.

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ATT B TO UFGA-19569 PG 7

BEBO -

I CAME TO SEE YOU BECAUSE I HAD TO SPEAK TO YOU. KNOW HOW MUCH PROGRESS YOU HAD IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, BUT I WANTED TO TELL YOU THAT I HEARD OF A MAN, HUMBERTO VERGARA, CALLED VERGARITA. HE WAS RECOMMENDED TO ME AS A VERY SERIOUS PERSON, AND IT IS SAID THAT HE HAS A BOAT READY TO SAIL. MAYBE YOU KNOW HIM. AS I CANNOT SEE YOU OR DO ANYTHING DURING THE DAY, I MADE THE FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENTS TO SAVE TIME. I TOLD HIM TO GO TO THE FLAGLER BRIDGE, TOWARDS DOWNTOWN AND TO STOP ON THE LEFT SIDE (NATURALLY COLUMN TOWARDS DOWNTOWN AT 1200 MOON. YOU CAN THEN /NATURALLY GOING TOWARDS DOWNTOWN/ AT 1200 NOON. YOU CAN THEH APPROACH HIM AND ASK HIM IF HE IS VERGARITA, AND YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS MARQUIES. HE IS A YOUNG MAN, HAS ONE TOOTH MISSING. IF YOU THINK HE IS GOOD, SPEAK TO HIM, FIND OUT WHAT HE HAS AND HOW MUCH HE ASKS FOR THE TRIP.

IN ANY EVENT, WHEN YOU GET HOME AND YOU READ THIS NOTE, CALL ME AND LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE GOING TO SEE HIM. ALSO LET ME KNOW WHETHER YOU HAVE ARRANGED SOMETHING ELSE.

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