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CITE **SANTO DOMINGO** 20190

TO: WASHINGTON.

FOR: LA/COG INFO LA/CARIB.

SUBJECT: MNINTEL FGI EMPYREX TRACE

1. EMPYREX (LIAISON) REQUESTS TRACES ON MAX L E S N I C K E, MENENDEZ; BORN 8 SEPT 1930, HAVANA, CUBA; JOURNALIST WHO IS REQUESTING VISA TRAVEL DOM REP FOR BUSINESS TRIP. SUBJECT APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL WITH MAX EDGARDO L E S N I C K MENDEZ (201-209258), CUIS PRINTOUT NO. 151438. STATION TRACES CONTAINED UFG-01709, 20 OCT 62 AND UFG-03590, 10 SEPT 63, INDICATE LESNICK ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN EXILE BROADCASTER AND STATION IS PERPLEXED SUBJECT'S INCLUSION IN CUIS.

2. INDEX: LESNICK. FILE: 201-209258. RVW 9 FEB 09, DRV 0981.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Immigration and Naturalization Service

Form No. 542

BIOGRAPHIC
INFORMATION

(Family name) LESNICK	(First name) Max	(Middle name) Menendez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE	BIRTHDATE (Mo./Day/Year) 9/2/30	NATIONALITY Cuban	ALIEN REGISTRATION NO. A12 542 416
ALL OTHER NAMES USED (including names by previous marriages)			CITY AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH Vueltan, Cuba		SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 261-72-9903	

FAMILY NAME		FIRST NAME	DATE, CITY AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH (Mo./Day/Year)	CITY AND COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE			
Lesnick		Samuel	Poland 1903	Santo Domingo, D. Republic			
Mendez		Teresa	Cuba, 1910	Miami, Fla			
MARRIAGE (If none, so state)		SAMUEL'S NAME	FIRST NAME	BIRTHDATE	CITY & COUNTRY OF BIRTH	DATE OF MARRIAGE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
Alvarez		Miriam	3/26/32	Havana, Cuba	12/29/55	Havana, Cuba	
FORMER HUSBANDS OR WIVES (If none, so state)		None					
FAMILY NAME (If wife, give maiden name)		FIRST NAME	BIRTHDATE	DATE & PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE AND PLACE OF TERMINATION OF MARRIAGE		

APPLICANT'S RESIDENCE LAST FIVE YEARS. LIST PRESENT ADDRESS FIRST.						
STREET AND NUMBER	CITY	PROVINCE OR STATE	COUNTRY	FROM	TO	
5530 Sardinia	C. Gables	Fla	U.S.A.	Jan 75	PRESENT TIME	
1730 Pizarro	C. Gables	Fla.	U.S.A.	Jan 73	Jan. 75	
2122 S.W. 22 Terr.	Miami	Fla.	U.S.A.	March 66	Jan. 73	

APPLICANT'S LAST ADDRESS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES OF MORE THAN ONE YEAR						
STREET AND NUMBER	CITY	PROVINCE OR STATE	COUNTRY	FROM	TO	
Banos 205	Havana	Havana	Cuba	56	Jan. 61	

APPLICANT'S EMPLOYMENT LAST FIVE YEARS (IF NONE, SO STATE) LIST PRESENT EMPLOYMENT FIRST						
FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER	OCCUPATION (If specific)	FROM	TO			
2994 N.W. 7 St. Miami, Fla. 33125	President	Oct. 67	PRESENT TIME			
Replica Publishing, Inc.						

NAT TO CSCI-3/764/464 DATED 27 MARCH 1961. SUBJECT: LESNICK--MENENDEZ, MAX
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Cadena Oriental de Radio, Havana, Cuba, commentator **59 Aug 69** **RFB**

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B. MAX EDGARDO L E S N I C K (201-0209258) DPOB 8 SEPT

1930, VUELTAS, LAS VILLAS, CUBA. FLED TO U.S. IN JANUARY 1961. BBBBBB

ISSUED PERMANENT U.S. ALIEN REGISTRATION NO. A-12-542-416 IN JANUARY

1961. HAS BEEN THE PUBLISHER OF THE SMALL EXILE NEWSPAPER "REPLICA"

IN MIAMI SINCE 1963 AND A COMMENTATOR FOR A DAILY NEWS PROGRAM "RADIO

REPLICA" SINCE 1964. INVOLVED WITH SEVERAL ^{ANTI-CASTRO} CUBAN EXILE GROUPS. Y(INTERNAL)
2. ADDEE INFO ONLY:

A. THERE ARE NUMEROUS FBI REPORTS ON VERA AND HIS ACTIVITIES WHILE A MEMBER OF VARIOUS EXILE GROUPS AND ESPECIALLY CONCERNING VERA'S INVOLVEMENT WITH THE GROUP ACCION CUBANA (AC), WHICH IS A SMALL CUBAN EXILE TERRORIST GROUP HEADED BY ORLANDO BOSCH AVILA AND WHICH HAS CLAIMED CREDIT FOR A NUMBER OF BOMBINGS AGAINST CUBAN EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES. BKHERALD HAS HAD CONTACT WITH VERA OFF-AND-ON SINCE 1964. BESIDES THE CONTACT DESCRIBED IN REF B VERA WAS BEING CONSIDERED IN 1964 FOR THE AMWORLD PROGRAM, BUT THIS DID NOT MATERIALIZE. AN INTERESTING NOTE IS FACT THAT VERA WAS REGISTERED BY THE ARMY WITH ISR FOR THE PERIODS JANUARY - JULY 1964 AND AUGUST 1964 - APRIL 1966, BOTH TIMES BEING DROPPED WITHOUT PREJUDICE. Y

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VENEZUELA IN NOVEMBER 74 TO MOUNT A SERIES OF ATTACKS AGAINST CUBAN EMBASSIES IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

4. IT IS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR FROM TEXT BUT IT APPEARS AFTER READING THAT CIVIL DEFENSES BE CAPTAIN, FORMERLY DETAINED IN CUBA, BE ALLOWED TO TRAVEL TO PANAMA SINCE SHE WAS ALREADY SERVED HER SENTENCE. FERNANDEZ WOULD THEN TRAVEL FROM PANAMA TO MIAMI WHERE SHE WOULD BE OF SERVICE TO THE WRITER.

5. THE WRITER CLAIMS THAT ARNOLFO ARIAS WAS ALL SET TO GO TO PANAMA DURING THE RECENT UNREST THERE. ARIAS WAS TO HAVE BEEN FLOWN BY JOE MEROLA, AN AMERICAN WHO IS WELL KNOWN TO CUBAN GOVERNMENT. JOE MEROLA AND ROLANDO MARTINEZ, WHO ARE IN CONTACT WITH CIA, WILL INTRODUCE THE WRITER TO ARIAS THUS IMPROVING WRITER'S ACCESS TO ARIAS WHO IS OF INTEREST TO PANAMANIANS.

6. STATION FURNISHING COPY OF ALLEGED CUBAN EXILE ACTIVISTS TO ADDRESSEES.

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CITE PANAMA CITY 28958

TO: DIRECTOR INFO MEXICO CITY, MANAGUA.

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MEXICO CITY 28218 (in 22244)

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1. FLYNN R. MCNEERTNEY (INDO) HAS BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY

THE SUBJECTS OF REFERENCES AS FATHER (IN A S C U N A N A
VINZALEZ) AND SON (IN A S C U N A N A CORREA) THRU NATIONAL

GUARD FILES. MCNEERTNEY REPORTS THAT SON IS NOW WORKING

N EARLY FULL TIME AS NATIONAL GUARD LIAISON WITH THE THREE

CUBAN OFFICERS STATIONED IN PANAMA. HE FURTHER IS OF THE

OPINION THAT SON, BECAUSE OF ATTITUDE, REPEATED TRIPS TO

CUBA, AND EXTENSIVE ASSOCIATION WITH CUBANS BOTH ON AND OFF

DUTY, HAS BEEN RECRUITED BY CUBANS. BASED ON HIS KNOWLEDGE OF

MAX LESNICK MCNEERTNEY FURTHER SUSPECTS THAT ANY

RELATION BETWEEN THESE TWO INVOLVES ONE OR BOTH OF TWO THINGS.

ONE, GOP MAY BE USING LESNICK AND MAGAZINE "REPLICAN" AS ANTI-

U.S. PROP MECHANISM ON CANAL ZONE ISSUE AND/OR FOR INVESTIGATIVE

COVERAGE OF PANAMANIAN EXILE ACTIVITIES IN MIAMI WITH

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MASCUNANA, JR, AS THE CHANNEL. TWO, DGI MAY BE USING MASCUNANA, JR, AND LESNICK TO COVER CUBAN EXILES IN MIAMI. BECAUSE OF THE VERY OVERT NATURE OF MASCUNANA - CUIS RELATIONSHIP WE SUSPECT THE FORMER.

2. IN ANY CASE, MASCUNANA CORREA IS EX-ASSET OF OURS WHO CAN IDENTIFY HIS THREE FORMER CASE OFFICERS (VEAUSSELL, SOLLIDAY, AND LYNAM) AND PROBABLY ALL STATION LIAISON OFFICERS SINCE 1972. HE FURTHER REPORTEDLY HEAVILY INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFIC AT PRESENT TIME. WE CONCERNED THAT IF ANY WORD OF THIS INVESTIGATION GETS BACK TO HYGRUFF-1 HE IS GOING TO BLAME US. TO PROTECT OUR EQUITIES, REQUEST HE-QUARTERS CONTACT FBI AND DETERMINE REASON FOR, AND DETAILS OF, FBI INVESTIGATION. FURTHER REQUEST THAT A Y FURTHER INVESTIGATION OF SUBJ BE COORDINATED WITH STAT ON.

3. REQUEST TRACES LESNICK.

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CITE PANAMA CITY 28924

TO: MEXICO CITY, MANAGUA INFO DIRECTOR.

1. STATION IN RECEIPT OF REQUEST FROM FBI MEXICO CITY VIA CONSUL FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON RUBEN DAR O MASCUNANA 2ND LT NATIONAL GUARD. SUBJ MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH RUBEN DARIO MASCUNANA CORREA (1-770319) PANAMANIAN S-C OFFICER IN OFFICIAL CLOTHES WITH GUAN INTEL OFFICERS STATIONED IN PANAMA. MAY 4.30 BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJ OF SAME NAME, PATRONYMIC UNKNOWN WHO REPORTED AS MEMBER OF PANAMANIAN CONSULAT CORP STATIONED IN MANAGUA AS OF OCTOBER 73. FBI CIVING THEIR SUBJECT'S DOB AT PANAMA CITY, 13 MAY 41 AND RESIDENCE AS VILLA ESPANA 1355, PANAMA CITY. MASCUNANA CORREA'S DOB IS PANAMA CITY, 11 APRIL 42. LAST KNOWN ADDRESS CALLE 8 AND AVENIDA B

2. BUREAU REQUEST STATES THAT MASCUNANA (FBI #125-18998) IS SUBJ OF INVESTIGATION BECAUSE OF CONTACT WITH MAX ELSNICK, EDITOR OF "REPLICA" MAGAZINE, MIAMI WHO IN JRN SUBJ OF FBI SECURITY INVESTIGATION. FLOYD H. MCERTNEY (FOC) IS IN DAILY CONTACT WITH FIRST MASCUNANA ABOVE AND ALSO

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3. BECAUSE OF OUR OPS INTEREST STATION HAS ADVISED CONSUL THAT WE WILL REPLY TO FBI REQUEST THRU OUR CHANNELS.

4. FOR MANAGUA: CAN YOU PROVIDE MATRONYMIC AND CURRENT LOCATION OF MASCUNANA THE CONSUL?

5. FOR MEXICO CITY: PARA ONE MAY BE PASSED FBI. CAN YOU OBTAIN ANY FURTHER IDENTIFYING INFO FROM FBI?

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