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LAZARO EDDY ESPINOSA BONET
ESPIONAGE - CUBA

NK T-1, a Cuban refugee who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised as follows:

On August 4, 1969, the source was contacted by telephone at his place of employment in Carlstadt, New Jersey, by Lazaro Eddy Espinosa Bonet, Third Secretary to the Cuban Mission to the United Nations (CMUN). Espinosa requested the source to meet him at 11:00 AM, August 5, 1969, on the corner of Bronx Park East and Allerton Avenue, Bronx, New York. The source went to designated meet area on August 5, 1969, arriving at approximately 10:50 AM and remaining until 11:25 AM. No attempt to contact source was made during that interval.

On August 11, 1969, source's wife received a telephone call at the source's home, in Union City, New Jersey, from an individual who did not identify himself. A message was left for source which instructed him to appear at the previously mentioned meet location at 11:00 AM, August 12, 1969.

The source arrived at the meet site at the intersection of Bronx Park East and Allerton Avenue, Bronx, New York, at approximately 10:30 AM, whereupon he was immediately contacted by Espinosa, who had been waiting in a parked car on Allerton Avenue. Espinosa and source proceeded on foot a short distance toward the interior of Bronx Park and sat down on the grass in a shady area. Espinosa took out from a small handbag which he was carrying a Sony Miniature Tape Recorder which measured approximately 9 inches by 4 inches by 3 inches. The tape recorder was placed between the two on the grass as they talked. The source observed approximately 20 small reels of tape in the bag carried by Espinosa.

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operations in Africa as well as the Miami area. He was especially interested in whether the source knew any dates of forthcoming infiltration runs into Cuba in which Romero might be involved.

Espinosa mentioned Raul Villaverde and asked the source if Rafael Villaverde is the brother of Raul. He further questioned the source whether or not Raul is still a CIA instructor in the use of explosives. The fact that Raul was in any way connected with instruction in the use of explosives was never mentioned previously by source in his report and must have been obtained by Espinosa from other sources.

The source happened to mention "La Osa", a nickname for a past team member for infiltration runs into Cuba. Referring to "La Osa", Espinosa interrupted and stated "Oh, Filiberto Leon Delgado." Source had forgotten the true name of "La Osa" and said that this identity must have been furnished to Espinosa through other sources.

Also asked of the source was whether Justo Luis Llorett, a colleague of source, was still operating for CIA. The source replied he did not know, inasmuch as he had been too long removed from Miami area to be accurate in his reply.

Espinosa made inquiries on the following individuals with whom the source had been thought to associate in Miami area; specifically, he wanted to know any background information and whether or not the individuals were being directed by CIA:

Otto (Last Name Unknown), previously of operational interest to CIA in the Miami area.

Javier Souto, previously a principal agent in the Miami area for CIA.

Edgar Sopo, active in anti-Castro radio broadcasts to Cuba from the Miami area.

Manuel Artimes, a leader in Bay of Pigs Invasion and subsequently connected with anti-Castro organizations, including MRR.