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18 March 1970:

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is submitted for approval to the Spanish Government. He feels confident that he can probably get the Spanish telephone company to cooperate and possibly some of the sub-contractors, if there are any.

4. We have made the assumption above that Headquarters desires the Station to pursue this matter,; if not please advise.

Howard R. SACODER

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SUBJECT: Typed Notes from Review of I&NS File of Gresces Guillmero RUIZ Perez

Subject's file was presumably reviewed in the spring of 1970 at the I&NS office at 119 D St., N.E., Room 547

/Orestes Guillermo RUIZ Perez7 made application at Miami on 2 April 1957 c/o Osvaldo RUIZ 826 N.E., 2nd Avenue Miami, Fla.

Was admitted 5 April 1957 (from 3 Apr primary inspection)

Alias in school: Willie

Address : Quinte 5, #714, Havana Havana, 10 Feb. 1930 DPOB Remarks Cannot go back to Cuba.

Havana U. student. If he returns would be killed by Batista Govt.

Left Cuba 8 November 1956, went to Key West to see his brother, above address.

Left from Miami approx. 17 Nov 56 as tourist to Dom. Rep. by CDA airline on tourist card. Stayed with Mrs. Rosa HERNANDEZ, Calle Morffa # 17, C.T. Family friends of 1 yr. from Havana. Stayed two weeks. Went to Feria de la Pax as interpreter and guide, hired by HERNANDEZ family. Worked for tips. Lived at boardinghouse at Calle Barahouce # 115 for 4 months.

Wanted to immigrate because it was only place where he felt free.

Came to U.S. on CDA #400 on 2 Apr 57. Had previously applied in 1947 for study in States from Havana but didn't come. Was married at that time.

Had written letters to newspapers in Havana against Batista Govt.

Full set of finger prints available. Applied to extend time of temporary stay. Statement dated 10 May 57 (with interpreter)

Address given: 121 N.E. 5th St., Apt 19

Miami

Passport : 49248, Cuban

continued

Was a prisoner in Dom Rep, not in a prison, but in a concentration camp with 11 others for 15 lays because he tried to escape, because he was taking military training. Had been asked there by one Jose Antonio ECHEVERRIA who has killed in Cuba in attack on Pres. Palace on 13 57. ECHEVERRIA approached RUIZ at Havana U. When he went to Dom Rep, found a bunch of Cuban gangsters instead of decent people. POLICARPO Soler aka Joaquin RODRICUEZ, was in charge of group, who was one who arrested him. Had actually 5 months military training Nov 56 to Apr 57.

Was in student demonstrations and passed propaganda vs. Batista regime.

One Dr. VENAGE, Cuban, gave RUIZ a ticket to return to the U.S. from Dom Rep.

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He is opposed to Communist philosophy. His group, the university students, had a fight with Communists.

On or about 12 July 57 RUIZ wanted to obtain permanent residence visa in U.S.

5 Nov 57 notified he had to leave by 4 Dec 57.

25 Sept 57, living with wife and child at 1440 N.W. 21st Terrace. $\sqrt{\text{Miami}7}$

In Nov 57, at $1749\frac{1}{2}$ N.W. 21st St., Miami and had joined there.

Overstayed his time. 11 Feb 58 ordered deported to Cuba. Represented on or about 14 Feb 58 by the firm Walters, Moore, and Costanzo (1008 Ainsley Bldg.)

Notified 4 times of interrogation but had moved addr. week a/o 25 Jul 58.

Order for detention issued 21 Aug 58.

Order for deportation issued 19 Mar 59.

Investigation showed he returned to Havana to Calle 5#714 on 2 Mar 58 on an "expedition by plane." A/o 6 Apr 59 living at Calle 86 #705, Apt 1, Miramar

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	FOR HAVANA AFTER 18 JULY.
	2. VIEW ABOVE, REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS ON REF B ASAP. 3. FILE 201-735296.
	END OF MESSAGE
	WH/COG/COMMENTS: Ref A is normal dispatch take from QUTIMID/QUDOZE audio operation run against AMAUTO-1 in Spain. These items were not signalled by cable. Ref B is lengthy dispatch from Hqs pointing out vulnerabilities of AMAUTO-1, means of targetting him, and request for comments by WH/MIAMI and Madrid:
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Spain, Madrid (2 February 1970)

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SOURCE An official Spanish service from a usually reliable source who was able to read the memorandum reported below.

- 1. In a memorandum dated 30 January 1970 to Carlos A. N e i r a Garcia, official of the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Cuban charge d'affaires in Madrid Chillermo R u i z Perez outlined the salient current problems of most concern to his mission:
 - .a. Building construction. Ruiz submitted a proposal to Havana in December 1969 for the construction of a building to house all the mission offices including the embassy, the consulate, the commercial office, the Cubana Airlines office, and possibly the minister's residence. Ruiz had not received a concrete reply to the proposal and he urged Neira to take it up again with the ministry.
 - b. Radio facility. Responding to a request from the Director of the Cuban National Fishing Institute, Emilio Aragones Navarro, in December 1969, Ruiz applied to the Spanish authorities for permission to install a radio facility in the Canary Islands for communicating with Cuban ships. The permission had been granted by late December yet Havana had failed to follow up the project with plans and instructions.

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c. Visa delays. Havana is consistently late in processing visa requests for foreigners traveling to Cuba. Ruiz attributed the delays to the red tape which involves processing the requests through two ministries; The Visa Section in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Directorate of Immigration in the Ministry of Interior. Ruiz requested authorization for the consulate to send its visa requests directly to the Directorate of Immigration since this is the section that ultimately determines whether a foreigner may or may not enter Cuba.

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I told her that I personally regretted it, as an individual and as Cuban, but that as a diplomat I could not do her any favor because she had left Cuba voluntarily, in flight, and that I could not render any assistance to her and least of all protect her. If I had then been able to take pictures, I could have sent them to Havana for them to see (This happened when RUIZ had first arrived here.)

RUIZ goes on to say that many people are misled when they arrive in Madrid from Cuba, or have been misled by their relatives. Parents bring their children—RUIZ says there are over 400 Cuban children in one school. One of them left \[\school \] once and passage had to be provided for him at the airport in CUBANA and allowed him to leave because they did not want to be mixed up in that affair. The child was 14 years old and did not want to stay in Madrid in the parrochial school with the monks. R says that should anything happen to him and his wife wants to stay in Madrid, he wants his children to return to Cuba and remain there until they become of age and make their own choice, but that to take children out of Cuba is a mistake.

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NILDA is typing while RUIZ is out of the office. CURBELO comes in and she tells him a cable arrived granting her permission to travel to Havana, but that she will not be going because RUIZ became annoyed. She adds that RUIZ is very selfish.

NILDA and RUIZ discuss her trip. R asks her if she is going; she says 'no' because he does not want her to go. Apparently he tells her to go home that instant and get ready, after she tells him that she has no time to take out her summer clothes, etc. She declines by saying that he has already ruined everything. She goes on to say that she had not asked MELVA or anyone else for her passage, but had written to RUZ (ph) saying the t she was very depressed and that she missed her son very much, and they had arranged for her passage. NILDA adds that she is not going on a pleasure trip, but to see her son and see how he is doing, which she finds only natural. She would have stayed with him for two whole days and would have talked to the School Director and foundout how the child was doing. She calls R selfish and says if the trip had been for him she would not have doubted it. She wants to know why RUIZ places objections to her trip to Havana. He wants the two of them to go together, and for her to wait until their vacation, not at this time. She

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contends it is because he does not want to stay by himself, as she knows him well after 16 years of living together.

NHLDA says she will have to write to NEIRA regarding her passage and to thank him.

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other such things. This amount could be reduced if we bring our Cuban architects, who were here two years ago, and knowledgeable of their mission could discuss with the land owner and the construction firm those things they feel could be omitted and the price could be brought down considerably. We do not need a luxury building, but one that is attractive, simple and functional. Term payments could also be extended. I want to impress upon you that when we entered into negotiations we had a binding agreement.

"The lot is on Avenida La Habana. Fermin GUTIERREZ looked well into this matter. He asked me to send him the project and that he would look at it. The system of payments in Spain allows us to pay \$100,000 or \$150,000 annually which will not be difficult for us.

"NEIRA, I want you to talk to CHAIN, not bearing pressure on him, but to make him understand that what I want is to leave my successor established, for any construction .lasting over nine months I certainly will not be able to enjoy.

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'Another thing I want to bring to your attention is in regard to our Consulate, its activities and relations with the Visa Section. A letter has come from VERA addressed to FRANCO pointing to FRANCO's incorrect wording of a cable to that Section. I agree that it was incorrect, but I

When RUIZ is left alone with her, he says that he feels like an exile, that he has been out for two years and is tired. There are many who want to be out of Cuba, he continues, but it seems to him they want to keep him out of the way. He goes on to say that LEON had appointed him, and supported him, but although they are good friends, he does not like to work with a man whom one never knows what he is thinking, and one never gets to know. R mentions a cable he had sent and says it could have cost his assassination, and that he had purposely done so to see if he were summoned to discuss the matter in Cuba. He would have liked to discuss it there, but they have apparently remained silent. R Jaments he feels as if he were in Miami.

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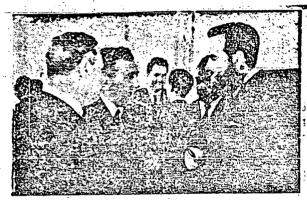
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"WE FEEL NILDA SHOULD TRAVEL ON IBERIA NEXT MONDAY BECAUSE THE TRIP IS SHORTER AND SHE HAS THE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RAISED. MINREX." Ruiz is at home and remarks he is going out to dinner tonight.

See Report 262, 30 Jan 70, for memo_that Ruiz sent NEIRA at MINREX with Nilda.7

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GEI agregado militar naval y néreo de la Embajada de la República Democrática Alemana, capitán de fragata Emil Fehlauer, ofreció anoche una recepción con motivo del 14 aniversario del Ejército Popular Nacional de la RDA, fundado el primero de marzo de 1956.

A la recepción, celebrada en la sede diplomática alemana, asistieron los miembros del Comunista de Cüba, comandantes Manuel Piñeiro Loseda, viceministro primero del Ministerio del Interior, Manuel Diaz González, jefe de la sección de Relaciones Exteriores del MINFAR; Roberto T. Viera Estrada; y Orlando Rodríguez Puerta.

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to see about a package that Melba had lost traveling from Cuba the week before and could not locate because she had lost the ticket.

One Miss LOURDES calls on behalf of the Grolier Company from New York and tells NILDA they are conducting some type of publicity and would like to arrange an interview with Guillermo RUIZ. NILDA asks what type of company it is. She is told it combines study and research.

N notes down the following information for RUIZ to call when he gets in: Grolier Company of Study and Research, main office in New York, Miss LOURDES, tel.: 233-74-48.

SANTAMARIA, from the Ministry of Commerce, calls in answer to R's call and to apologize for not having been able to attend the reception. R begins by saying that when Raúl LEON had left for Cuba he had sent a letter of thanks to the Minister (of Commerce) for his kind considerations and at the same time had mentioned that "before your \(\subseteq pl. \) 7 trip it would be most beneficial and advisable for both parties if you \(\subseteq pl. \) 7 could advance us a list of subjects you are interested in discussing in Havana, for it would at least give us a little time to prepare ourselves." SANTAMARIA says, "Precisely, on Friday at 10:30 I am having a

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Mrs. Concepción CAMACHO de MATOS calls RUIZ. NILDA asks if she is the same person who called the other day and said she was the widow of... (MATOS). The woman says 'yes' and NILDA tells her: "Look Miss, you're playing a very dangerous game."

MATOS: I don't know what you mean, miss.

NILDA: Well, because none of the comrades here is going to allow himself to be provoked. So, please do not keep on."

MATOS: Well, I don't know what you are referring to, miss, I am completely astonished.

NILDA: Well look, don't be astonished, you might end up some other way.

MATOS: I don't know what you are talking about.

NILDA: Well, we do.

NILDA hangs up.

Mrs. MATOS calls the Ambassador's secretary again; it seems there has been a misunderstanding.

NILDA: Look miss, we do not wish to talk to you anymore.

We are telling you in a nice way. Please do not call anymore.

MATOS: I am not going to call again... I only want to say

I had nothing to do... I know nothing at all.

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... Only that I have received a message. I received a telephone call... I have just arrived in Madrid, I am not familiar with Madrid, or know anyone.

NILDA: Aren't you the one who called the other day?
You made a date.

MATOS: What kind of a date?

NILDA: Didn't you make a date with the Charge d'Affaires?

MATOS: No, no, no. One moment, miss. I received a telephone call and was told to call this gentleman, the Cuban Ambassador. I could also tell you about another ambassador, but that they were trying to get in touch with me.

NILDA: Who are they'? To whom do you refer when you say that they' called you?

MATOS: I was called on behalf of the Ambassador of Chile and the Ambassador of Cuba. I thought it was extremely unusual, miss, because I don't know anyone here.

NILDA: Didn't you call here a few days ago?

MATOS: I called when I was advised to do so.

NILDA: And you made a date with the Ambassador.

MAGOS: I don't know now what exactly did happen. I was asked to talk with him and to get in touch with him, miss.

NILDA: But, who called you, miss?

MATOS: Whoever it was said "I am the Cuban Ambassador," so then it all seems to have been a plot, or something of the sort.

NILDA: Look, if it is a plot I suggest you do not get involved because where we are concerned it is somewhat dangerous.

MATOS: No miss, I am very proper and a serious person.

NILDA: Since you are so serious and proper don't ever let anything happen to you.

MATOS: I live with a daughter and you must realize that

I live only for her.

NILDA: Well, look, if you live for her, don't get mixed up in these things for they may cost you dearly.

MATOS: Very well, miss. I am deeply grateful to have been enlightened by you. I can see already that it is simply a plot or an implication by someone.

NILDA: It is a plot and we know it. And we know who is behind it.

MATOS: Yes, miss, I would also like to know, I assure you.

NILDA: Well look, stay away from this mess or you'll pay dearly... good-bye.

MATOS: Fine, miss. I am also very grateful that you have told me. My apologies, huh?

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with the Minister who told him that next week they would discuss the matter of costs and that the Minister was in favor of Ruiz' idea. Ruiz asks Villaroya to wait a few days more and in the event that they receive bad news they will have a few drinks together at the Castellano to forget their sorrow. Ruiz says he is very anxious to move out of the place he is in, and aks how long it will take to construct the building. Villaroya tells him about 9 or 10 months. Ruiz says that most likely he won't be there to inaugurate the building because his tour is ending in Spain, but that he will come from wherever he is for the inauguration.

28 January 1970

Item.1.- PULOTO CALLS YOLAMDA. He asks for the address of the school. She says it is cuadalquivir 16.

Item 3.- AN UNIDENTIFIED CONRADE CALLS THE HOSTAL GENEVA.

A Cuban answeys. The Comrade asks to speak to Antonio CASADO.

The Cuban(F) says he is not there that he is on a trip to

New York. The comrade leaves no message.

Item 4.- ARISTIDES RUIZ CALLS UNESCO IN PARIS, tel. 56-65-757. (The connection is poor) Ruiz greets MARTINEZ MOREL(phonhe seems to be Cuban) and tells him that he (Aristides) arrived Saturday and that he is leaving on Sunday (1 February) for Cuba. He asks for MILT(phon) and Martinez says that up to Monday he hadn't arrived.

Aristides asks to speak with extension 4111. They don't answer. He then asks for 4110 and an American, whose name seems to be Frank, answers. They speak lengthily in English about the installation of television in two Cuban schools. They also speak about films and the financing of the projects, mentioning the Swedes and the people of UNICEF.

Item 23.- PILOTO CALLS CUCA (It is 10:30 PM). They speak for a long time although Piloto is a little worried and nervous. He says "--the one on guard today is one of the bad ones and besides this, he is with his wife". He tells Cuca that as the offices are carpeted you can't hear anyone's footsteps--and he is afraid they will hear him. He remarks, "The people here have got me very nervous."

3 February 1970

Item 11.- DR. MACORRA CALLS HORACIO. This doctor has just had an operation and now that he is well again he wants to renew his connections (with Horacio) because he has to go to Cuba to give a course in the Cuban Society for Omcologicos (phon) Studies. Excedes asks for his full name, which is LUIS DE LA MACORRA, tel. 261-12-83, home telephone 200-93-52.

Later, referring to the same subject Pepe says "the last new poorle (that have arrived?) are alcoholics?? but if you only know, things are better at least with regard to us, peace and charity".

10 February 1970

Item 18.- The second tape begins with part of a conversation between Pilote and Cuca around dinner time. Cuca says that her mother is 55 years old and her father is 57. Her mother she says has had six children. Pilote mentions the difference in age between him and Cuca; he says 12 years is a lot. Pilote says he continues to lose weight.

11 February 1970 Item 3.- CONCULTA CALLS NILDA .- She says that the place where she bought the radio is called BARROSO and it is at Lavapies 145. Wilda talks to Alicia. She says that she had a very nice time (in Havana), but that the weather was very had; it rained a lot and it was cold. Nilda was with (in Havana) Alicia's children. She says that they got very good marks in their studies and the little one can read and they are very happy. Nilda also spoke with Alicia's nother-in-law. She is suffering from la pres ion(high or low blood pressure) and she has not been able to get the necessary medicine. Then Nilda speaks of her own son. She says he is very tall and thin and that he is working in tobacco. She says he is in Guane (ohon), and as she couldn't make the trip as it was two and a half hours long, they sent the boy to her house and she was with him for a few days. She says the boy is very happy, he is a serious type and causes no problems. Apparently Nilda's nother is ill, according to her remarks. Alicia says it is better that Nilda's boy is in Cuba, because there he will become a man and solve his own broblems. The later to Both the Me buttery

Item 8.- VILLAROYA, OF CONSTRUCCIONES AZAGRA CALLS RUIZ. He asks Ruiz about the project. Ruiz says that the news is good in the gense that it has been accepted in principle, and he believes everything is going along fine. But, they will have to wait. Ruiz thinks they will have a definite answer in about two weeks. He adds that they have great interest in this matter and also he would like to know definitely.

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Guillermo RUIZ Pérez

DOB: Late January or early February 1930. POST: Minister Plenipotentiary, accredited

since 12 December 1967. ADDRESS: Juan de Mena #8, Madrid.

TELEPHONES: 259-5956 (home), 221-7028 (office).

DOI : March 1970.

WIFE: Nilda VECIANA. Probably in her early thirties, she is pregnant and was due to have her sixth child in May 1970. However, her physician recommended forced labor (reasons unknown), which was scheduled for 17 April 1970. She has had difficulties with her pregnancy because of recurring fainting spells and overweight, which are being treated by Dr. HERNANDEZ and Dr. MATA (the latter ordered lab tests for Diabetes, the results of which are unknown).

Married for 16 years to Guillermo, Nilda is a pleasant woman who has not been known to quarrel openly with her husband or express political or religious opinions, although in this last respect she has recited the Lord's Prayer in front of Embassy personnel, which suggests that she may have been or is a practicing Catholic.

Mrs. Ruiz is a language teacher by profession (speaks English fluently), and is active in the Embassy as secretary to her husband and book-keeper, but only on an informal basis.

Of rather weak personality / Exception, see Attachment II; she was upset at the time_7, which is reflected in the way that she handles her five boys--"little beasts," according to Severina ORTIZ, the maid--, Mrs. Ruiz does not permit them to be punished severely and is always complaining that she does not spend sufficient time with them.

She is known to have lived in New York for five years in the fifties (on 48th St., three blocks from Times Square), a city that she likes very much. She goes shopping alone, and once even to the airport in a taxi (Juan Antonio CURBELO, the embassy security officer, did not like the idea) to wait for her husband's arrival from one of his trips. She seems to get along well with the wives of other Cubans in the staff.

Nilda travelled to Havana on 30 January 1970 to see her son Guillermito, and returned to Madrid on 11 February. Although RUIZ used her to send a lengthy memo to Carlos NEIRA, his superior at MINREX for text see Attachment III 7, he was not very happy with her trip— an attitude that Nilda resented very much ("You are very selfish") until her husband changed his mind.

Her parents live in Havana (local telephone, 2-8130). / Cuban Telephone Directory lists that telephone number under Y. LAM, Calle 21 #3421, Marianao. /

CHILDREN :

1.- Guillermito ("Guille"). At 14 he is the oldest and is currently studying in Havana. He is very tall and thin. There were reports that he was unhappy in Cuba, and his father went to Havana on 16 October 1969 to solve a "personal problem" with Guillermito. If true, Guille no longer feels that way because on 26 December he was quoted to be very happy in his new school.

Guille was scheduled to cut cane after 10 January 1970, but was actually assigned to a tobacco farm in Guane early this year.

2.- Alejandro, who is nine years old (DOB: 15 Feb). According to those who know him he is a real "devil" and a good swimmer. He is taking guitar lessons, and goes to Colegio

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Estilo and Gimnasio Mascardo, Pilar de Zaragoza #99, Madrid.

- 3.- Ivan, who is about eight years old.
- 4.- Juan Carlos.
- 5.- Juliote.

All five are very spoiled and have caused several maids to leave their jobs. Severina ORTIZ bitterly complains that they show no respect for their parents. This is why she "hates" Mrs. Ruiz. There was another maid, Ana María , who was replaced because she did not look after the children. / Ana María is currently employed by the wife of Aristides a drype from U. DIAZ, who is leaving Spain definitively in August 1970._7

BACKGROUND : Guillermo RUIZ, familiarly known as El Guajiro, probably comes from a humble family in Cuba, as he lived in a solar / in Cuba, a slum dwelling / in Marianao and began to work when he was only 14 years old.

In the fifties he emigrated to the United States, travelling throughout the East Coast and holding minor jobs. In 1957 he began to work as an apprentice butcher for a Polish-American named Alexander SAMKO, who had a grocery store on Flagler St. in Miami. He did so well in attracting Latin-American customers to the store that he soon began to distribute meat in the area for SAMKO.

He has said that when he left Miami in 1958 he turned over to his brother a house in North Miami, a brand new car, and over a thousand dollars in the bank.

But his "success" could be traced, perhaps, to another acquaintance that he is known to have had.

At the time RUIZ and Major José María MOLEON 721.

Carreras, then another Cuban exile, were in contact with an American of Cuban descent known as Joe LOUIS or LUIS, an underworld figure who was competing with the Italians in the bolita racket in Tampa.

RUIZ himself has told close associates that LUIS or LOUIS offered them \$800 a month, plus car and expenses, to supervise "collections" in Miami.

Furthermore, LOUIS or LUIS even asked them to kill a man named FERNANDEZ, who was involved in the numbers game in Miami, for \$5000 each.

In February 1958 RUIZ left Miami with Harry VILLEGAS Tamayo / a Captain in the Cuban Army, he has been seen at parties in foreign embassies in Havana with Major Manuel PINEIRO Losada, DGI chief / and three other members of the 26th of July Movement and entered Cuba clandestinely.

At the triumph of the Revolution Alexander SAMKO went to Havana, where he stayed for a week at RUIZ's home, and offered him a partner-ship in the business, which RUIZ rejected.

In 1960 he was one of 18 out of 5000 who were selected by the Ministry of the Treasury, where he was working, to take the full statistics course outlined by ECIA. The course, which lasted two years, included such subjects as mathematics, finances, democracy...and Marxism-Leninism.

One of his schoolmates at the time was harta ARCOL, now director of the Art Museum of Havana.

In 1963 he was sent to Mexico, and after returning to Havana was appointed Chief of the Trade School at MINCEX, post that he held for two years.

In 1967 he was sent to Spain to replace Ramon CALZADILLA as charge d'affaires.

EDUCATION: Aside from the statistics course taken in 1960, RUIZ seems to lack, in the syes of some observers, a solid, formal education. But he makes up for it by being an avid reader (five newspapers a day, plus books). This impression, however, may be wrong, for there are indications that he either studied or wanted to be a CPA.

He understands and speaks English and French (fluency unknown), and has undertaken to teach grammar to the embassy staff.

Sensitive to art, or so he says, he frequently complains of the general lack of culture in Cuba. His vocabulary level is rather low, cussing quite often in the presence of others.

RUIZ is well-versed in world affairs, and does have an understanding of international trade.

He has read some of the works of José Martí, whom he likes to quote. But there is another book that he also refers to repeatedly, Kim PHILBY's, the KGB spy who penetrated MI-6.

He is up-to-date on current intelligence publications.

HEALTH: Blond, baby-faced, and blue-eyed ("Very handsome," according to Anita, the young maid), RUIZ is known to be suffering from an undisclosed liver illness for which he takes a medicine called bilidis. Late in 1969 he was planning to go to Portugal on vacation following the advice of his physician, Dr. Pedro CABAS (telephones, 276-7746, 256-2294), but he did not make the trip. He coughs frequently, is used to cold weather, and was thinking of going to the same gymnasium as his son Alejandro.

He wears eyeglasses to correct astigmatism, and is known to like skin-diving, a sport that he practiced in Cuba.

In general terms, however, he enjoys good health.

EMPLOYMENT: There is no doubt that Guillermo RUIZ exercises the full authority that presumably he should have as Minister Plenipotentiary (relations between Cuba and Spain remain at this level because of Spain's refusal to appoint a full Ambassador after LOJENDIO was expelled from the Island by Fidel CASTRO).

He is involved in and kept informed of all matters that have to do with Cuban-Spanish relations, including trade. He does not permit commercial attachés to bypass him when they submit reports to their respective enterprises in Havana.

In addition, he supervises Cubana Air Lines operations, and no one may travel on Iberia to Havana without his permission (this applies only to Cubans, for tickets must be paid in foreign currency). Evidently he controls the Cuban Embassy in Lisbon, and Rafael FERNANDEZ Sardinas, the charge there, travels frequently to Madrid for consultations with RUIZ ("Our relations with Portugal are not very good now").

Cuban officials arriving in Madrid must consult with him before arranging visits to Spanish officials or factories, and only he, Juan Antonio CURBELO Lemes, Aristides DIAZ Rovirosa, and Roberto FRANCO Oliva, are authorized to issue visas for people travelling to Cuba.

He seems to have good working relations with Spanish Government officials because he is always careful to place all the "cards" on the table in his meetings with them.

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Nothing is known about unofficial contacts with other diplomats in Madrid except that he is close to and exchanges information with the Algerian Ambassador.

At times he tries to give the impression, and this might be true, that he enjoys the full personal confidence of Osvaldo DORTICOS and Raúl ROA.

He frequently tells other Cuban diplomats stopping in Madrid that he makes 90% of the decisions without consulting Havana because that is "why I am here for."

Above all, he directs constant and bitter criticism against the bureaucracy in Havana because of its incompetence, which, in his opinion, will cause Fidel CASTRO to carry out a major purge after the 1970 sugar harvest comes to an end ("No one in Havana wants or cares to make a decision").

The Peter Principle /" In a hierarchy every employee tends to rise to his level of incompetence" 7, which he has read and is going to send to Fidel CASTRO for reading on the advice of Melba HERNANDEZ, should be taken as an example of what is happening in Cuba. Furthermore, in his view Havana is always trying to interfere with the Embassy in Madrid, resulting in lack of co-ordination and even co-operation. (To Horacio FUENTES Martínez: "More than lack of organization there is chaos in Cuba today.")

He directs almost the same criticism against his staff in Madrid because they lack qualifications for the posts that they hold. "They think that I am a fool," he once told an associate, "but I don't miss anything that they do."

In turn, he has also been the target of criticism from Havana, first from Sonia GOMEZ, who made a critical evaluation of the Embassy, which he decided not to answer ("I took a librium, smoked a cigar, and forgot all about it").

Sonia GOMEZ, a MINREX inspector close to Vice-Minister Carlos CHAIN, was in Madrid in mid-February 1970 for another review of embassy accomplishments. But this time she seemed friendly with Guillermo RUIZ.

On another occasion he complained to Aristides DIAZ that he had received one more critical report from Havana because the Embassy "had not achieved much," although they had done things that were not included in the yearly plan.

But perhaps the most serious censure of his activities came in by telex ("Why worry? The Americans and the Spaniards intercept all messages anyway") early in October 1969. Havana questioned the way RUIZ was handling trade negotiations with the Spanish Government. The trade agreement was extended by mutual consent to 31 December 1972.7

In his reply addressed to Raul LEON Torras, first vice-minister of MINCEX and senior Cuban official directly responsible for the talks, Guillermo RUIZ defended his right to be "informed" and "consulted" in rather strong language.

Therefore, he rejected that his cable number 521 was offensive to Joaquin ALVAREZ, a Cuban trade official who had been the source of the complaint.

In the last paragraph he told Raul LEON that the indemnification question (payment to Spanish citizens who owned property in Cuba) depended on his reply to Don Pedro SALVADOR, a Spanish Foreign Office official, and not on "bribery" conjectures.

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Evidently this last cable upset him so much that he was nervous and particularly security-conscious. Less than a week later, he called Raul LEON Torras and requested permission to go to Cuba, ostensively to settle a "personal problem with my son."

When he returned to Madrid on 29 October he was a changed man, again fully confident of himself. Nevertheless, he has told close friends that he feels very lonely in Spain and has had the desire to simply board a plane and return to Cuba abandoning the Embassy.

Late in January 1970 he was again depressed, for he felt like an "exile" in Spain after two years of service (" Even though LEON played a part in my appointment I cannot work for a man that I do not understand. Maybe he sent me abroad to get me out of the way. I feel as if I were in Miami.")

He thinks he is "burned" in Spain, and when he returns to the Island he will definitely not go back to MINREX, but to MININT. He has told close friends his term in Spain is up and he will be returning to Cuba probably in the summer. In any event, he does not plan to be in Spain more than nine months. Nilda, his wife, has stressed that they are leaving Madrid permanently in July 1970.

POLITICAL AND IDEOLOGICAL VIEWS: Although outwardly a "revolutionary", Guillermo RUIZ is a man of moderate political views struggling to justify the actions of his government in face of the political and economic realities of Castro's Cuba.

In this sense his inner feelings perhaps lie closer to the theory of the <u>betrayed revolution</u>, but not for ideological reasons: the incompetence of the Cuban Government has in fact sabotaged the goals of the Revolution.

A member of the Cuban Communist Party, to which he was admitted on the recommendation of Armando HART Dávalos, secretary of Organization, he is definitely not a convinced Marxist, and consequently cannot accept the role of "robot" required by Party discipline and vertical structure ("Revolutionaries should not be coerced by political control forms," he wrote Telesforo DIAZ Portillo, a MINPEX official, on 26 December 1969. "Communists are quite meddlesome," he told another colleague soon after, although in this instance he may have been referring to the Spanish CP).

But the most important revelation of his views came to light on 11 December 1969, when he was quoted as telling a visiting DAP official from Havana: " If I disagree with orders, I question them because I am not a robot nor do I have the mentality of one. As a human being I express opinions no matter the risk that I may personally have to take."

Obviously, a man who thinks in this way cannot be a Marxist,

Aside from the constant criticism of Havana because of incompetence, lack of vision, and the unreal world they live in, he is quick to point out other deficiencies in life there, as reflected in his directive to the embassy staff not to celebrate Christmas together because there are "hungry people" in Cuba. But he did invite some of his associates for dinner

on Christmas eve, the classical Spanish Nochebuena. He has also said that medicine in general is quite backwards in Cuba.

Probably an atheist, he is known to believe that "religion should not be considered a handicap for people trying to return to Cuba."

On the other hand, he refers to Latin-American diplomats as "bootlickers" because they use the English language in parties, and has remarked that "capitalism is no good".

RUIZ seems to have certain admiration for Francisco FRANCO, who, in his view, is the only reason why Spain has not turned communist. Of course, it is doubtful that he really believes this.

He does not hide his favorable opinions of the American people, who are "frank" and "simple". " They treated me very well," he told Raul LEON Torras in December 1969.

On international matters he is up-todate and well-informed. Following are some of his views, which are contradictory at times:

- "Cuba is a political power, not a military or economic power.
- " The USSR has neutralized U.S. sea power in the Mediterranean.
- "Cuba can destroy Guantanamo whenever it chooses to do so, although the base has lost its strategic value to the United States.
- " US-China rapproachment should be feared, but also a Japan-China alliance.

"U.S. power is beginning to crumble, but the Soviets are revisionists.

"The Egyptians harm us when they buy sugar from Cuba and then resell it to other countries.

"We have to be on the side of the Soviets for two reasons: first from the military and economic point of view; secondly, because whether right or wrong they are on the same side fighting those who are on the other side.

"Cuba has had and has major discrepancies with the USSR, China, and the U.S., but we are on the side of communism because we are against capitalism.

"Israel and Cuba have the same motivations. That is why they are so successful against the Arabs. They have no choice.

"The Egyptians and the Syrians are not brave. The Israelites, like the Cubans, are brave enough to face the enemy."

PERSONALITY: Guillermo RUIZ is an easy-going rather simple man who no doubt enjoys the prestige and success that he has had in Spain.

He has a strong personality, undoubtedly the predominant pole in his marriage. He seems to get along well with his wife. (" If anything should happen to me and my wife wants to remain in Spain, I want my children to go back to Cuba to study. Then they can decide for themselves what they want to do.")

Certain degree of racism can be detected in his speech, for he always refers to Negroes as <u>niches</u>, a contemptuous Cuban expression.

He almost never discusses women with colleagues, nor is he known to be involved in any extramarital affair.

Possible exceptions: Vera VORODOWSKI, his secretary now in Cuba. There were rumors that RUIZ was the beneficiary of Vera's affection. There is also a young Spanish girl named JIMENA (lnu), who addresses RUIZ in the familiar tu. She lives in the house of Carmen LABRA or LABRADA.

He likes to go to the movies (saw Topaz; no comments), and receive people at his home for cocktails.

SECURITY: It is normal for any member of the Guban Foreign Service to exercise certain discretion in the area of security, but Guillermo RUIZ is particularly sensitive in this respect, which perhaps could be traced to his probable involvement with the DGI in one way or another.

He is quick to warn visiting Cubans of the CIA's efforts ("La Compañía Sociedad Anónima") to compromise them, even before leaving Havana. "Our Embassy," he says, "is the primary target for U.S. operations in Spain."

He keeps control of mail going to and coming from Havana in the diplomatic pouch, and states repeatedly that his office is bugged and telephone tapped ("There are microphones here the size of olives"). In addition, he thinks he is followed openly by Seguridad.

For all these reasons he has acked Havana for funds to build a new embassy, where he plans to have a shielded room free from microphones. (The building, which will cost approximately \$600.000, was approved by Havana and a Cuban architect travelled to Madrid in late March 1970 to discuss the project with Sr. VILLARROYA, from Constructiones Azagra, who is handling the real-estate operation. Villarroya's telephone number is 254 4238.)



He is particularly aware of what he calls "traps", and in this sense recalls that once he was asked to dinner by the wife of a VIP, and after accepting the invitation he was told that someone else and a priest would attend too. Even though the lady in question was very upset, he did not go because one of those present could have been a "seditionist" ready to be "arrested" by the police. An inevitable scandal would have followed. He adds that he receives visits in the Embassy because there he admits only those that he wants to see.

An interesting item is the case of Conchita CAMACHO (telephone 201 4989), who called RUIZ at the Embassy claiming to have met him at a party and wanting to see him, alone, at the Hilton for a "chat". See Attachments I and II.

Perfectly aware of the implications and seemingly in violation of his own rules, he did go to the hotel after ordering Horacio FUENTES to check the telephone number (" The CIA has a new agent"), in spite of the fact that Raúl LEON Torras was arriving in Madrid on that night.

He and Fernando, his driver, waited outside until the woman left the hotel with some men. RUIZ wanted only, so he says, to warn her not to get involved in matters between Cubans because she could "lose her life".

Regarding communications, Guillermo RUIZ has even suggested installing a radio transmitter and speaking in code with Havana. The Cubans are in fact installing a radio transmitter on Islas Canarias to communicate with their fishing fleet. But RUIZ, in this particular case, has

stressed to the Spanish Government that Cuba is willing to permit Spanish citizens to operate the station, thereby avoiding any suspicion that the transmitter will be used for other purposes. 7

In spite of his security-consciousness, he himself is the target of certain control by Juan Antonio CURBELO Lemus, the "cultural" first secretary who in reality is the security man at the Embassy (RUIZ has complained that he needs a "real" one in Madrid: "Sergio DEL VALLE, minister of the Interior 7 told me they were getting someone ready to send as cultural attaché"), for CURBELO instructed the front-desk girl to pass on to him a summary of who sees who and for what, including RUIZ's visitors.

RUIZ likes to recall the time when a Cuban in his staff (name unknown, but presumably he is back in Cuba) spread the rumor that RUIZ and Nilda were not well-liked in Havana, perhaps to undermine his authority. CURBELO reprimanded the man by stressing that "when Havana is doubtful of anybody here in Madrid it uses official channels to let us know."

Nevertheless, he does make mistakes, as evidenced by discussing in his office, with members of his staff, the possibility of advising Havana that a Spanish foreign service officer scheduled for duty there might be open for recruitment. Recalling his constant warnings that his office is bugged by Seguridad, such discussion clearly exposes him to expulsion from Spain.

By the same token, he likes to travel by car to the interior of the country alone (he must have powerful reasons to do so, for

he is risking attack by Cuban exiles, a possibility that he surely must not discard given the reception that they gave Armando HART Dávalos, Carlos CHAIN, and Carlos ALFARAS at Barajas Airport on 30 June 1968). Neither his wife nor CURBELO approve of this.

At times he is known to write on paper key phrases or names when discussing confidential matters in his office, or to speak very low. Furthermore, he says he goes to Parque del Retiro when he wants to discuss sensitive matters with anybody.

In short, he is security-conscious, very shrewd, and suspicious of anybody that comes near him.

TRAVEL: Following are the trips that Guillermo EUIZ made from October 1969 to February 1970:

To Havana to settle a "personal problem" on 20 October 1969 by <u>Iberia</u> (first class), returning to Madrid on 29 October.

To London on 14 November 1969 for consultations with Raul LEON Torras, returning two days later by air (also first class).

To Bilbao, San Sebastian, and Burgos, by car, on 28 November 1969, returning two days later.

To Italy from Barcelona with his wife and two children on 29 December 1969. He went to pick up an Alfa Romeo, which he paid out of his own funds. They returned through Florence, Genoa, San Remo, and Barcelona, arriving in Madrid on 6 January 1970.

To Burgos by car with REGALADO (fnu) and URQUIZA (fnu) on 24 January 1970.

To Havana on 20 February 1970. He was scheduled to participate in trade negotiations with the Spanish delegation that left Madrid on 22 February 1970. RUIZ returned to Madrid on 24 March 1970.

FRIENDS: Not much is known about Guillermo RUIZ's personal acquaintances, except for the following:

Pedro RUIZ. - A good friend who goes to his home rather frequently, Pedro is quite influential according to Guillermo. He is also a friend of MASSO (fnu).

Carlos or Enrique CARRASCO. He is a partner of Carrasco, Muñoz e Iturriaga, with offices at Avenida Generalisimo #28, 10th floor. RUIZ meets with him often, either for lunch or at his home. They seem to be good personal friends. CARRASCO may have to do with arrangements for the sale of Cuban frozen seafood. Travelled to New York late in October or early November 1969. RUIZ is known to have visited CARRASCO's office.

Rosendo CANTO.- Lives at Goya #54, Madrid. His friendship with RUIZ may be interesting if he is the same Rosendo Canto who was a well-known batistiano (probably his father). If this is the case contacts with RUIZ are politically dangerous for the latter, unless he is using CANTO with the approval of Havana. According to Roberto FRANCO Oliva, the consul, CANTO wanted to go to Cuba, live there for a year, and then join the Cuban Foreign Service ("He is a fool," RUIZ). CANTO's father is ill in Cuba

and sends him mail through the Cuban diplomatic pouch. CANTO is involved with the diplomatic representation of Equatorial Guinea.

Armando FERNANDEZ. - "A good friend,"
says RUIZ. But he has doubts about FERNANDEZ's
source of income ("Maybe he gets money directly
from Havana without my knowledge"). FERNANDEZ
sends a "lot of things" to Cuba. He is an
artist, and lives at Bondad #1 (telephone, 2553281). Armando claims to know Fidel CASTRO and
Celia SANCHEZ personally. It may be true, for
he received a package at the embassy from the
latter in March 1970. However, he asked the Cuban
staff to send it to him because he "did not want
to be seen taking something out of the embassy."
FERNANDEZ's father has cancer.

JIMENEZ Asenjo, deputy director of the Spanish <u>Dirección General de Seguridad</u>. Knows RUIZ personally, and is in contact with him rather often, but presumably in the line of duty.

SUMMARY: Guillermo RUIZ is a very shrewd, articulate individual who has reached heights that in all probability would have been beyond his capability in normal circumstances.

Nevertheless, from what can be seen his work in Spain has been effective, and he keeps a tight control over his staff. He is a man confident of himself and of the backing farmando HART Davalos? That he surely must have in order to remain in this sensitive post of the Cuban foreign service.

Precisely because of his privileged status RUIZ is very careful in whatever he does, avoiding mistakes that would endanger his position.

Therefore, he will probably resist any indirect approach, which he will recognize in time to brush it off.

But this does not mean that he is unapproachable, for he is not. There is no question that his personality is incompatible with the system that he serves, although with profound misgivings as to its efficiency. It is then a question of how and when.

The very fact that he has made open remarks suggesting his unhappiness with Havana and his non-Marxist leanings in an office "bugged by the other side," as he points out, could be interpreted as a signal on his part indicating that he is ready to listen.

But he will be suspicious of an indirect or subtle approach, which, in his view, could be a trap to compromise him, including a loyalty test by the DGI. Consequently, a direct approach has much better chance of success. It would be proof for him that he is walking on firm ground by dealing directly with Americans. Which leads to the question of when. There are two key factors to consider:

- a) His recall to Cuba.
- b) The 10-million ton sugar harvest, which is scheduled to end on 15 July 1970.

RUIZ has indicated that he is unhappy in his post--perhaps not really meaning what he says--, which he has occupied for over two years.

As he has said that Fidel CASTRO plans a major purge after the 1970 sugar harvest, he himself may be one of the targets. Assuming that his ideological inconsistencies have been noticed, the DGI, in the absence of proof regarding his loyalty and considering whatever support he has in Havana, may request his recall at an appropriate opportunity: during a major reorganization of the Cuban Government.

In any event, RUIZ does not expect to remain in Madrid much longer, and is planning to be back in Havana by the 18th of July.

If Cuba is successful in harvesting 10 million tons of sugar, and they have already reached six, the "victory" that Cuban propagandists will herald from July on may have a psychological impact on RUIZ's thought. He will be less inclined to defect, in place or otherwise, at such time.

Finally, if RUIZ's personality were to be summarized in one word, that word would be realist with a logical mind. Above all, this is what RUIZ is.

Attachment #I.

Report No. 2274.

9 January 1970.

One 'Miss' CONCHITA calls asking for RUIZ. NILDA says she is his secretary and CONCHITA may leave the message with her. C would like to surprise him. NILDA asks for her last name; C does not give it to her because it would then fail to be a surprise, but leaves her telephone number (201-49-69) for R to call her after 8, for she works until that time. On NILDA's insistence C gives her last name as CAMACHO, adding she is the widow of the doctor who was director of the Coimbra Hospital.

RUIZ calls Mrs. CAMACHO at 201-49-69. She begins the conversation by saying they had met at a party which she had attended with her husband at the Dominican Embassy in Madrid. She reminds him that they had talked with the Paraguayan Ambassador and former Dominican Ambassador Rafael COMPRES, and that the party had taken place two years ago. Despite all the details RUIZ insists he does not remember her and asks how he can be of service to her. She tells him. I have just arrived and find myself somewhat isolated, disoriented, and I must find work. I recall you telling me on that ocassion 'If you should ever have any problem and you come to Madrid, look me up.' One other ambassador also offered me his assistance and I have tried to locate both of you." Mrs. C mentions having a daughter to locate both of you." Mrs. C mentions having a daughter, that her husband was a pilot and that she is a Spaniard, adding she is not too old. R replies that in all honesty he does not remember her. She insists on seeing him to have a chat, and R suggests she come to his office at her convenience. She prefers talking with him alone, without his secretary or anyone else present, and suggests a bar at some hotel like the Palace, Ritz or Hilton. He is agreeable to any place she may desire; they agree to meet that night at 9:30 in the lobby of the Hilton Hotel. She will be dressed all in black.

RUIZ calls FERNANDO F is to meet R outside the latter's home about 9 o'clock dressed in coat and tie.

Report No. 2248.

HORACIO calls the telephone company requesting the address for telephone number 201-49-59. The information is denied.

RUIZ calls PILOTO to have him meet RAUL LEON in Barajas that night. RUIZ is unable to do so because of a previous engagement.

FERNANDO calls CURBELO to ask for PUCA's phone number. F wants to tell P he cannot meet the professor at P's house that night because he (F) has to take RUIZ somewhere.

Attachment #II

Report 2288.

-22 January 1970

Mrs. Concepción CAMACHO de MATOS calls RUIZ. NILDA asks if she is the same person who called the other day and said she was the widow of... (MATOS). The woman says 'yes' and NILDA tells her: "Look Miss, you're playing 'yes' and NILDA tells her: a very dangerous game."

MATOS:

I don't know what you mean, miss.
Well, because none of the comrades here is going to allow himself to be provoked. So, please NILDA: do not keep on.

Well, I don't know what you are referring to, MATOS: miss, I am completely asonished.

NILDA: Well look, don't be astonished, you might end

up some other way.

I don't know what you are talking about. MATOS:

Well, we do. NILDA: NILDA hangs up.

Mrs. MATOS calls the Ambassador's secretary again; it seems there has been a misunderstanding.

Look miss, we do not wish to talk to you anymore. We are telling you in a nice way. Please do not

call anymore. I am not going to call again... I only want to say MATOS: I had nothing to do ... I know nothing at all. ... Only that I have received a message.

received a telephone call ... I have just arrived in Madrid, I am not familiar with Madrid, or know anyone.

Aren't you the one who called the other day? NILDA: You made a date.

What kind of a date? MATOS:

NILDA:

Didn't you make a date with the Charge d'Affaires? No, no. no. One moment, miss. I received a telephone MATOS: call and was told to call this gentleman, the Cuban Ambassador. I could also tell you about another ambassador, but that they were trying

to get in touch with me. Who are they!? To whom do you refer when you say NILDA:

that 'they' called you?

I was called on behalf of the Ambassador of Chile MATOS: and the Ambassedor of Cuba. I thought it was extremely unusual, miss, because I don't know anyone here.

Didn't you call here a few days ago? I called whom I was advised to do so. And you made a date with the Ambassador. NILDA: I don't know what exactly did happen. I was MATOS: asked to talk with him and to get in touch with him, miss. But, who called you, miss?
Whoever it was said, "I am the Cuban Ambassador, so then it all seems to have been a plot, or NILDA: MATOS: something of the sort. Look, if it is a plot I suggest you do not get NILDA: involved because where we are concerned it is somewhat dangerous. No miss, I am very proper and a serious person. MATOS: Since you are so serious and proper don't ever NILDA: let anything happen to you. I live with a daughter and you must realize that MATOS: I live only for her. Well, look, if you live for her, don't get mixed NILDA: up in these things for they may cost you dearly. Very well, miss. I am deeply grateful to have been enlightened by you. I can see already that it is simply a plot or an implication by someone. It is a plot and we know it. And we know who is MATOS: NILDA:

behind it. I would also like to know, I assure you. Yes, miss. MATOS:

Well look, stay away from this mess or you'll pay NILDA: dearly... good-bye.

Fine, miss. I am also very grateful that you have told me. My apologies, huh? MATOS:

/NILDA was very upset after this call._/

Attachment III

Report No. 262.

30 January 1970.

RUIZ records following memorandum on tape:

"Comrade NEIRA. - I take this opportunity that NILDA is going to Havana to bring to your attention some of our problems here in Spain.

"The first pertains to the construction project for a building which I sent to CHAIN with the President of the National Bank when he passed through here in December, and to this day, after five weeks, I have not received an adequate answer. You know that when preliminary negotiations are initiated one enters into certain obligations with the land owners as well as with the construction firm, to whom we must give an answer.

"On my insistence, Comrade ROA gave me... sent a cable informing me that as yet the budget had not been approved and he could not give me the results.

"Present locales do not meet the Spanish minimum requirements for working space. CURBELO brought from Havana proposals for the leasing of a locale for the Commercial Office with a rental fee of \$2,000 a month. We discussed this proposal at a meeting of comrades here and it was rejected in the belief that it was more advantageous for us to buy. We also discussed this with Fermin GUTIERREZ, who visited the Commercial Office and to whom we pointed out that in view of the system of payment here in Spain it was better to purchase a building, since this transaction at no time would affect our system in our trade policy with Spain.

"To the point of being persistent we should like to request a building for all services: the Cuban Office, the Commercial Office, the Consulate-Embassy Office, plus living quarters on the top floor for the diplomatic Representative, something with which I am not in complete accord. In summary, a building which would offer maximum security and freedom of movement. The Commercial Office would occupy the first floor, the Embassy, the second floor, and the third floor the living quarters for the Chief of the Mission. This would resolve all our local problems and our representation in Spain.

"This construction firm built for the Rumanian representation in Spain and is now building for the Polish and others. We have been quoted a fixed price of \$600,000 which includes a luxury building, with glass windows, air-conditioned, and other luxuries. This amount could be reduced if we bring our Cuban architects, who were here two years ago, and knowledgeable of their mission could discuss with the land owners and the construction firm those things they feel could be omitted and the price could be brought down considerably. We do not need a luxury building, but one that is attractive, simple and functional. Term payments could also be extended. I want to impress upon you that when we entered into negotiations we had a binding agreement.

"The lot is on Avenida La Habana. Fermin GUTIERREZ looked well into this matter. He asked me to send him the project and that he would look at it. The system of payments in Spain allows us to pay \$100,000 or \$150,000 annually which will not be difficult for us.

"NEIRA, I want you to talk to CHAIN, not bearing pressure on him, but to make him understand that what I want is to leave my successor established, for any construction not lasting over nine months I certainly will not be able to enjoy.

"Another thing I want to bring to your attention is in regard to our Consulate, its activities and relations with the Visa Section. A letter has come from VERA addressed to FRANCO pointing to FRANCO's incorrect wording of a cable to that Section. I agree that it was incorrect, but I find it strange that that Section should pay so much attention to correct forms and analyze the contents so little. The contents of things are not being studied, and it is essential that deep thought be given to the work that is being done. When someone somes to the Consulate with an authorization to travel to Cuba, it is usually three or four days prior to flight departure. Since the Visa Section must defer to the Department of Emigration for its authorization, inasmuch as the latter determines whether or not a foreigner can go into Cuba, the process is not carried out with the urgency that it requires, consequently, there is delay. This creates much inconvenience for us, and even personal problems, for we must consider that often people arrive with the exact amount of money and a week's delay could hurt them so that at times they don't even have enough money for lodging or food.

At present we have the case of a member of the Chilean Communist Party and OSPAAAL whose passage has been set aside by these organizations to travel from Madrid to Cuba. Four days ago FRANCO sent a cable and still there is no answer. We made the decision to grant this person a visa because the plane leaves tonight, otherwise he will have to delay the trip one more week. If the tickets were reserved for him here there is no doubt he has been given authorization.

"NETRA, I want you to talk to OJEDA and request that our Consulate be able to contact the Emigration Department directly. FRANCO has been on the job for approximately one year and has never given reason for complaints, but if he has now made a mistake in the editing of a cable it could have been that in the face of mounting problems he is presented with daily he might have exploded.

"Another thing I want to tell you is that last night we had as guests in our home the Chilean Director Hugo BENAVENTE and his wife, the leading lady in his Peruvian company which has brought to the stage "Luz de Europa". If they are not communists in the sense of the word, like the rest of the company, they do sympathize with us. They invited PINEDA to attend the premiere, and he answered with a cable which was shameful to see and read. The wording of that cable gives the impression that PINEDA is being held captive and asks them to please come to his help and send for him. He makes us look ridiculous. Just think that cable has been read by others before they showed it to me. The political position of PINEDA and other Cuban writers should be investigated, as now they are putting up on stage "La Noche de los Asesinos" and they also want another Cuban writer to come. I should like to get your advice in this area as I am totally ignorant of matters related to culture, for we have no cultural attaché here.

"There is also the following problem: The comrades in the fishing / department /, specifically Comrade ARAGONES, are interested in having a radio communications station to contact ships on the high seas. In this regard I spoke to Mr.ASENJO in the Security Department who said there was no inconvenience on his part if they requested it and took the necessary steps. You know Mr. ASENJO. I saw him a month ago and he had asked me if we had decided not to go ahead with it, as there had not been an answer in that regard after having obtained authorization from the General Administration of Security which was the most difficult step.

"Comrade Joaquín ALVAREZ reports that in reference to the letters left here by LEON for the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and of Commerce here in Spain, the former is taking an offensive position in foreign relations as you can see, and the Minister of Commerce has been quite busy, for the entry of Spain in the Common Market is almost a fact and conversations are in progress. This is why they have assigned to Mr. SANTAMARIA, General Director of Commercial Policy, the study of subjects which the Spanish side plans to take up in Havana during the negotiations in February. I amain touch with this man and in fact had to call him up today, for he had said that before giving me the agenda of subjects to be discussed there was to be a meeting of Ministries to include Foreign Affairs, Commerce, Information and Tourism, plus others, to determine what was to be discussed in Cuba and decide on ther matters.

"Because Mr. SANTAMARIA was not in this morning, he has promised to call me at 6:30 this afternoon, but he will not find me here because I'll be taking NILDA to the airport.

"Tell Joaquín ALVAREZ that regarding the 50-million credit request from Cuba to Spain for 1970, there has been no confirmation inasmuch as we have been unable to talk with the present Secretary of Commerce. We find the figure somewhat high but have no basis for judgment to focus on any area.

"You must have heard already about the success of our reception. Not only because of the number, which was quite high, but because of the quality of the attendants. We had to use two rooms. We had prepared only one but when the Minister arrived it became necessary to open another room. There was representation from the ultra-right to the ultra-left. This has been a great triumph for us considering that in these countries the quality of people attending these events is taken well into account.

"Comrade NEIRA, an embrace for you and for those working with you. I hope when SONIA comes over she brings a project for 1970 that can be fully undertaken by us. We are very bad at making projects. This past year we did many things that had not been planned, while others that were planned remained undone, but with last year's experience we shall strive to plan better.

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"Take charge of my wife's return. I have given her permission for one week and no more, for I do not like to act as babysitter—they are four children and although they are my own I do not care for it. Greetings to all my comrades and you do the cutting of the cane for I have been unable to cut. A hug."

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- b. Tevertheless, he has received some rather telling criticism of a professional nature, even though it is unknown whether this criticism also touches on his personal life. Perhaps because of this, AMAUTO-1 seems to be very careful in whatever he does, avoiding mistakes that would endanger his position, and avoiding any real or fancied provocation.
- c. There seems to be little question that AMAUTO-1 is approachable, although he would probably resist any indirect approach in which "cards are not laid on the table." It appears very likely that his character is basically incompatible with the system he serves (with profound misgivings as to its efficiency).
- d. The very fact that he has made open remarks suggesting his unhappiness with PBRUMEN and his non-Marxist leanings in an office he himself points out is "bugged by the other side" could be interpreted as a signal from him, indicating that he is ready to listen. His remarks on the subject might be those of a man who believes he can "jump off" at any time, if necessary. Note that he tends to live with criticism from his home office rather than try to get out from under --- perhaps meaning that he would not accept a PCS assignment home. (The attachment hereto shows him describing a compatriot who wishes to return home as "a fool.") He has said himself that he believes AMTHUG-1 plans a major purge for mid-1970, and he might consider himself as a victim of that purge.
- e. A fact which might affect timing is the arrival of a child in May. If he were to persuade his wife (and his government) to have the child in Spain, rather than return home for it, he would have a good excuse for requesting the presence of his oldest child (the only one who is now at home). If his wife returns home for delivery, he would (for a time at least) have three hostages in PBRUMEN instead of one.
- f. UFGA-19006 reported a 1964 attempt to get at AMAUTO-1 through his wife's relatives. The consensus at the time was that AMAUTO-1 is probably immune to this type of approach. Headquarters, therefore, still opts for a logically developed, "traditional" recruitment build-up.
- 3. In line with the above, Headquarters suggests to Madrid certain lines of action which might be followed in an attempt to know more about ANAUTO-1. These actions might seem somewhat easier from our perspective than they actually are in the field, but we propose them for your consideration.
 - a. The man handling the new construction work (paragraph 16 of the attachment) should be checked out.
 - b. The established pattern of lonely automobile trips outside the capital (see paragraph 22 of the attachment) might be instructive to follow down. At least, the situation might offer a chance for approach or for subsequent handling.
 - c. ANAUTO-1's desire to see more people at home, and the indication that he discusses important matters at home becomes doubly interesting with the possibility of a vacant house next door (see paragraph 18 of the attachment). The person who owns the apartment building might offer a fruitful lead.
 - d. The apparent hostility of the current maid (see paragraph 24 and 27 of the attachment) might offer further exploitation.

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- f. Headquarters would greatly appreciate the opportunity of examining AMAUTO/1's X-rays. In this connection, we would like to see an investigation of the physician used on this matter (see paragraphs 31 and 32 of the attachment).
- g. We would like to have Madrid's assessment of the diplomat mentioned in paragraph 8 of the attachment.
- 4. At the same time, we would appreciate it if Miami could follow down any of the leads stemming from AMAUTO/1's time in WOLADY. We are trying to trace his entrance back in the 1950's and as much of his time here as possible, and perhaps Miami Station can develop leads on the persons mentioned in paragraph 24 of the attachment hereto, especially in reference to the brother left with the house. (Note Below.)

Michael V. SLATINSKI

I would appreciate your giving personal attention to this matter, because it is rare that we have such a detailed assessment as we have in this case.

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Orestes Guillermo RUIZ Pérez

DOB: c. 1931

Cuban Minister Plenipotentiary to Spain, accredited 12 December 1967.

CHRONOLOGY

- 1. RUIZ probably comes from a humble family in Cuba, because he lived in a solar (semi-slum area) and began to work when he was only fourteen years old. This circumstance suggests that he lacks a formal education. He appears to come from a "revolutionary" family (his father was identified as a Communist and a leader of the barbers' union in UFGA-13595, and a brother was identified as a member of the DSE as of 1964 in UFGA-19006), 2744-444 (23-715234)
- 2. In the fifties RUIZ emigrated to the United States, traveling throughout the east coast and holding minor jobs. In 1957 he began to work as an apprentice butcher for a Polish-American named Alexander SAMKO, who had a grocery store on Flagler Street in Miami. He evidently did so well in attracting Latin American customers that he soon began to distribute meat in the area, working for SAMKO (RUIZ seems to be somewhat proud of this success). He also appears proud of the fact that when he left Miami in February 1958, he left his brother (same brother?) a house in North Miami, a brand new car, and over \$1,000 in the bank.
- 3. Although he did well in the meat business, he traces a large part of his success to another acquaintance in Miami; an American of Cuban descent known as Joe LOUIS (or LUIS). Joe LUIS was an underworld figure who was at that time competing with the Italians in the bolita (numbers) racket in Tampa. RUIZ and MOLEON (fnu), another Cuban exile, were each offered \$500 a month by LUIS to supervise bolita collections in Miami. (There is no specific indication that RUIZ took his bolita friend up on this offer). Furthermore, LUIS went so far as to offer RUIZ and MOLEON \$5,000 apiece to kill a man named FERNANDEZ (fnu), who was also involved in the bolita racket in Miami.
- 4. In February 1957 (note the 1958 date, above; perhaps an error on RUIZ' part) RUIZ left Miami along with a man named VILLEGAS (whose first name might be Harry) and three other members of the 26th of July Movement. They entered Cuba clandestinely. When the revolution triumphed in Cuba, Alexander SANKO went to Havana, where he stayed for a week as RUIZ' house guest. SAMKO offered RUIZ a partnership in the meat business in Miami if he would return. RUIZ rejected the offer, saying that the Revolution needed him.

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- 5. RUIZ brags that in 1960 he was one of 18 persons out of 5,000 who were selected by the Ministry of the Treasury, where he was vorking at the time, to take a statistics course offered by CEPAL. The course, which lasted two years, included such subjects as mathematics, finance, democracy (?), and Marxism-Leninism. One of his schoolmates at the time was Marta ARCOL, now the director of the Museo de Arte in Havana. (It is interesting to note that in UFGA-12595 RUIZ was described as an anti-Communist as of 1960 by a Cuban refugee.
- 6. UFG-1539 reported RUIZ as Chief of the Department of Construction Expenses Studies of the Ministry of the Treasury in 1962, and he was described as a militant Communist. In 1963 he was in Mexico, and UFGA-11065 mentioned him as G-2, living at Calle Cuenavaca 35, apartment 7. A report from LITAMIL-9 in 1964 characterized RUIZ as a violent CASTRO partisan, and AMMUG-1 in 1964 described PUIZ as a CUIS officer. Presidential Decree 3440 of 4 August 1964 (UFGA-19006) reported RUIZ as being appointed Vice Minister of Foreign Commerce, and QUDOZE has him appointed about that time as chief of the trade school at MINCEX, a post he held for two years. In 1967 he was appointed charge d'affaires in Madrid vice Francisco Ramon CALZADILLA.

ON THE JOB

- There seems little doubt that RUIZ exercise the full authority that presumably he should have as Minister Plenipotentiary. The relations between Cuba and Spain appear to remain static because of Spain's refusal to appoint a full Ambassador to Cuba after LOJENDIO was expelled from the island by CASTRO in 1959. RUIZ is involved in and is kept informed on all matters related to Cuban-Spanish relations, including trade. He does not seem to permit commercial attaches to bypass him when they submit reports to their respective home offices in Havana. In addition, RUIZ takes a keen and active interest in Cubana operations, and he has said that no one may travel to Havana on Iberia without his permission. He insists that Cuban officials arriving in Kadrid consult with him before arranging visits to Spanish officials or factories. He seems to have good working relations with Spanish government officials, because he is always careful to "put all his cards on the table" in meetings with them. (The tenor of his conversation seems to emphasize that he likes things this way in all his relations, personal as well as professional).
- 8. Little appears concerning RUIZ unofficial contacts with other diplomats in Madrid, except that he is close to and exchanges information with the Algerian Ambassador. (According to current records, this is Ahmed LAIDI, posted to Madrid on 15 December 1966, living at Calle Tiemblo 3, Ciudad Puerto de Fierro. Latest desk traces show this person as born 20 April 1934 in Oudja, Morocco, and as of 25 October 1966 to have been the Director General of the Foreign Ministry in charge of political, economic, and cultural affairs. He is described as

reserved, intelligent, and probably something of an operator. He was Ben Bella's chief of cabinet before joining the Foreign Office in 1964, and he functions more on special assignment than as part of the chain of command. He was a member of the Algerian UN delegation as of 28 September 1965.)

- 9. RUIZ tries to give the impression that he enjoys the full confidence of Osvaldo EXETICOS and Raul ROA, thereby being able to exercise the full authority of his position. He frequently tells other Cuban diplomats stopping in Madrid that he makes 90% of the decisions without consulting with Havana, explaining that "this is the reason I am here."
- against Havana, because of what he terms the incompetence there. In his opinion, this generalized incompetence will cause CASTRO to carry out a major purge after the 1970 harvest is in. (He specifically repeats that "no one in Havana wants to make any sort of decision"). One of his favorite books is The Peter Principle, to which he refers constantly, and he uses this. book to describe what is going on in Havana. In RUIZ' view, Havana is always trying to interfere with the Embassy in Madrid, a situation which results in a lack of coordination and cooperation. RUIZ directs the same criticism against his staff in Madrid, because his personnel lack qualifications for the jobs they hold. He once told an associate: "They think that I'm a fool, but I don't miss anything they do."
- 11. In turn, he has also been the target of criticism from Havana, first from Zoila GOMEZ (?), who made a critical evaluation of the Embass. RUIZ' reaction is instructive: "I decided not to answer it. I took a librium, smoked a cigar, and forgot all about it." On another occasion he complained to Aristides DIAZ that he had received another critical report from Havana regarding his program for the Embassy. Havana was complaining that not much had been achieved. RUIZ noted that the Embassy had accomplished much that was not in the plan, and he intended to answer that particular criticism in detail.
- 12. Perhaps the most serious criticism of his activities came in a coded cable received by the Embassy early in October 1969. Havana questioned the way that RUIZ was handling the commercial treaty negotiations with Spanish authorities. In a communication directed to Raul LEON Torres (201-725624) (Under Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Commerce) and in rather strong language, RUIZ defended his right to be informed and consulted on the matter, denying that his cable number 521 was offensive to Joaquin ALVAREZ (Director of Trade with Western Europe and North America), who was evidently the source of criticism against RUIZ.

- 13. Evidently, this last piece of criticism upset EUIZ so much that he was acrooms and particularly security-conscious. Less than a week later he called LEON in Havana and requested permission to go to Caba, ostensibly to settle a personal problem with his son. However, his wife explained to another person in the Embassy that RUIZ' trip was due to his sick mother. His trip was probably due to the exceptionally sharp criticism and RUIZ' desire to clear it up personally.
- 14. When RUIZ returned to Madrid on 29 October 1969, he was a changed man, again relaxed and fully confident of himself. Nevertheless, be has told close friends that he feels very lonely in Spain and at times has had the desire simply to board a plane away from Spain and abandon the Embassy. He is always careful to say he desires to return to Havana, but he leaves room for the inference that he would rather go somewhere else. He believes that he is "burned" in Spain. He has said that when he returns to the island, he will definitely not return to his Ministry.

SECURITY AND SECURITY-CONSCIOUSNESS

- of security-consciousness. This attitude can possibly be traces to an involvement with the DGI in one way or another, but his background and especially his political views (see below) would appear to argue against his affiliation. RUIZ is quick to warn visiting Cubans against the efforts of what he terms "la compania, sociedad anclica" to compromise them, even before they leave Havana, indicating RUIZ' possible belief in the omnipresence and power of the sociedad anonima. He censors mail going to and coming from Havana, and he repeatedly states that his office is bugged, his telephone is tapped, and that he is followed quite openly wherever he goes. He attibutes this surveillance to the Seguridad, and he probably ascribes it to the Spanish. (Note that, despite his "knowledge" that his words go to hostile surveillance, he still dares to express critical opinions openly).
- 16. This security-consciousness is apparently the big reason he has asked Harana for funds for a new Embassy building, where he plans to have a shielded room free from bugs. He intends to have Havana send electricians for the job and Cuban personnel to act as doormen, etc.. with the wives of the latter to be his char force. He seems fanatic on the subject of not having any Spanish personnel in the building. (Note that one Sr. VILLARROYA, of Constructiones Aznar in Madrid, is handling the real estate operation.)
- 17. RUIZ is particularly aware of what he calls "traps." He once recalled that he had been asked to dinner by the wife of a VIP and, after accepting the invitation, was told that a priest would also attend. He did not attend the dinner, although it considerably upset his hostess, because he was afraid of a scandal arranged by the police. He said that he receives only in the Embassy, because through that door can enter only those whom he wants to see.

- 18. Nevertheless, RUIZ has several times mentioned that he holds his really important conversations at home, and that he would rather see more people at his home instead of at his office. (In this connection, it is noted that the house next door to his --- Calle Triana 44 --- which used to be a home for the aged) is now empty. The owner of the apartment building where he lives is Ignacio ARTERO, a Spaniard.
- 19. RUIZ has even suggested installing a radio transmitter and speaking in code with Havana. The Cubans are in fact installing a transmitter on the Canary Islands, but RUIZ, characteristically keeping his actions correct, has stressed to the Spanish that Cuba will not use the transmitter for other than legitimate commercial purposes. RUIZ even offered to allow-Spanish citizens to operate the station in order to emphasize his point.
- 20. Correct as he generally is in his professional behavior, RUIZ made what appears to be a mistake in discussing with members of his staff the possibility of telling Havana that a Spanish foreign service officer scheduled for duty there (Juan TORROBA Gomez, cf. OSMA-25692) might be open for recruitment. If one recalls RUIZ' constant warnings that his office is bugged by Seguridad, the discussion about TORROBA clearly exposes him to action by the Spanish authorities.
- 21. RUIZ himself is the target of what appears to be control by Juan Antonio CURBELO Lemus (201-733544) who is allegedly the First Secretary in charge of cultural affairs but who seems to be the "security man" in the Embassy. (We note that CURBELO's photograph was shown to AMBEDEW-1, who did not recognize the likeness). RUIZ has complained at least once that he needs a "real" cultural attache. CURBELO has instructed the front-desk girl to pass on to him a summary of who sees whom at the Embassy and for what purpose, including RUIZ' visitors. (Given RUIZ' near-mania for running his own shop, CURBELO must indeed exert an acknowledged security control).
- 22. Despite security considerations, however, RUIZ appears addicted to taking automobile jaunts by himself to the interior of the country. He must have very powerful reasons to do so, for he is probably exposing himself to attack by Cuban exiles. Given the reception accorded to Carlos ALFARAS, Armando HART, and Carlos CHAIN at the Barajas airport in June 1968; RUIZ might be unnecessarily exposing himself. He has not told anyone of where he goes or what he does, and both his wife and CURBELO strongly disapprove of his custom.

FAMILY

23. RUIZ' wife is Nilda VECIANA, who was reported on in UFGA-19006. She is probably in her early thirties. She is pregnant and due to have her fifth (?) child early in May 1970. She has had difficulties with her pregnancy because of recurring

fainting spells and overweight. These conditions are being treated by Dr. HERNANDEZ (fnu) and Dr. MATA (fnu).

- 24. Nilda is a pleasant woman who has not been known to quarrel with her husband or express political or religious opinions, although once she recited the Lord's Prayer by heart in front of others. A teacher by profession, she handles the bookkeeping at the Embassy on an informal basis. She appears to have a rather weak character, judging from the way she handles her boys. According to Severina ORTIZ Gomez, the maid, these are little beasts who treat the servants badly, even reviling them with obscenities, while referring to their mother as "la chula." Nilda does not permit the boys to be punished.
- 25. Nilda goes shopping by herself, and once she even took a taxi by herself to the airport to meet her husband, even though CURBELO did not like the idea at all. She seems to get along well with the wives of other Cubans on the staff.

26. RUIZ' children are:

- a. Guillermito. He is the oldest and is now studying in Havana. There were reports that he was unhappy there, and RUIZ asked on 16 October 1969 to go to Havana to settle a personal problem with Guillermito. If there were a problem, it seems to have been solved, because RUIZ on his return quoted Guillermito as being very happy in his new school. (Some time ago, Mrs. Hector GALLO Portieles was constantly needling the other women about not being "revolutionary" enough and took Nilda RUIZ totask for having her children with her instead of at school in Cuba. The RUIZ family had brought four of their children with them, and later the other(s) came to join them, before the older one returned to school. RUIZ once told a visitor that Guillermito had been left with his grandparents during their exile in Miami and had been very resentful of it, so they had been very careful ever since not to repeat that mistake).
- b. Alcjandro. He is about six years old. According to those who know him, he is the real devil of the lot as well as a good swimmer. He is taking guitar lessons, goes to Colegio Estilo, and swims at Cimnasio Mascardo, Pilar de Zaragoza 99. (Nilda has talked to the Gimnasio people about RUIZ' going there also for swimming or exercise).
 - c. Ivan.
 - d. Juan Carlos.
 - e. One other (?)

27. All four children are very spoiled and have caused several maids to leave their jobs. Severina bitterly complains that the children snow no respect for their parents, and that is the reason Severina gives for her hate for Nilda.

EDUCATION AND CULTURE

- 28. Aside from the two-year statistics course taken in 1960, RUIZ appears to lack a solid, formal education, although he makes up for it by being an avid reader (five newspapers a day plus books). He understands and speaks English and French (fluency unknown) and has undertaken to teach grammar (presumably Spanish) to the Embassy staff.
- 29. RUIZ appears to be sensitive to art, and he frequently complains about the general lack of culture in Cuba. (This might indicate that RUIZ considers himself "above" the Revolution). He shows some of the general inconsistencies of the self-educated. For example, his vocabulary level is rather low, and he curses frequently when talking to other male members of the staff. On the other hand, he seems rather well versed in international affairs and has a good understanding of international trade. It is probable that he has read some of the works of José Marti and, although he dictates letters to his secretary, he types some of his own reports to Havana.

HEALTH PROBLEMS

- 30. RUIZ suffers from what his wife has described as a liver illness (not further specified) for which he takes a medicine called bilidis. (This may refer simply to the medical words for "liver disease". Competent experts here guess that the medicine is used for anything from chronic constipation to gassiness and constant eructation because of inadequate digestion of fatty foods. It is possible that RUIZ suffers from the hard-to-pin-down mal de foie, which can be found in a high-strung, hard-driving person. RUIZ' evident use of librium (see above) might also suggest this condition).
- 31. Late in 1969 RUIZ was planning to go to Portugal to rest, following the recommendation of his physician Dr. CAVAS (also received as CABAS and CALDAS), and whose telephone number appears to be 276-77-46. There is also a mention of a Dr. PERIU, but his relationship is indistinct. RUIZ coughs frequently, is used to cold weather, and was planning to go for his health to the same Gimnasio as his son, Alejandro.
- 32. A July 1968 momorandum for the record stated that RUIZ suffers from a spinal ailment resulting from a fall he had about 12 years ago. Since then he has had chronic backaches which were particularly severe during the time that he was in the U.S., Haiti, and Santo Domingo. His pains have recurred since he arrived in Spain. On 3 June 1968 he had a severe attack and was



treated by the Embassy's Spanish doctor VILLALANDA (fnu), who prescribed cortisone. His condition was diagnosed as incurable, since it was doubted that the injury to his spine could be corrected by an operation. RUIZ was further told that the condition would continue to grow worse, and that within six to ten years he would have a defective walk. RUIZ planned to send the diagnosis and X-rays to ROA in Havana, who would pass them to the Cuban specialist MARTINEZ-PAZ for review.

TRAVELS

- 33. Following are the trips RUIZ is known to have made during the last quarter of 1969:
 - a. To Bilboa, San Sebastian, and Burgos by car, on 28 November 1969, returning two days later.
 - b. To Havana, to settle "a personal problem," on 20 October 1969 via Iberia (first class), returning to Madrid on 29 October.
 - c. To London on 14 November for consultations with Raul LEON Torres, returning two days later by air.
 - d. To Italy with his family on vacation on 28 December to pick up an Alfa Romero that he bought for the Embassy, returning by car and arriving in Madrid on 6 January 1970.

CONTACTS IN MADRID

- 34. Little is known about RUIZ' contacts in Madrid. Aside from the Algerian Ambassador (see above), we know about:
 - a. Pedro RUIZ. A good friend who goes to RUIZ' home frequently. According to RUIZ, Pedro is quite influential and is a friend of MASSO(?).
 - b. Carlos CARRASCO. Another person who calls RUIZ frequently. In late October or early November 1969 CARRASCO went to New York.
 - c. Rosendo CANTO (201-749310). CANTO lives at Goya 54, Madrid. His friendship with RUIZ is interesting, given CANTO's background, because their being together could be very dangerous for RUIZ unless he were using CANTO for some reason with the approval of Havana. CANTO wants to go to Havana for a year, live there for a year, and then join the Cuban Foreign Service. Referring to CANTO's desire, RUIZ said on 8 January 1970: "He is a fool."

CHARACTER

35. Superficially, RUIZ seems to be an easy-going and rather simple man who no doubt enjoys the prestige and position he has and the successes he has had professionally in Spain. He appears to have a strong character and probably plays the predominant role in his marriage. He and his wife seem to get along very well

together, and they are not heard to argue. On the other hand, there appear to be very deep inconsistencies in his public and private behavior. Sometimes he speaks like a man at war with himself.

- 36. A certain degree of racism can be detected in his constant reference to blacks as "niches," a disrespectful Cuban colloquialism roughly comparable with the pejorative word, "nigger."
- 37. RUIZ almost never discusses women with his colleagues, except for one off moment when he mentioned a girl he knew in the United States before the Revolution. Perhaps RUIZ wisely remembers that Nilda also works at the Embassy and refrains from mentioning women on her account. In any case, he is not known to be involved in any extramarital affair. (Still, one wonders about the custom of absenting himself by automobile into the interior of Spain).
- 38. His habits seem to be simple: he likes movies; he has read Topaz (but made no comment thereon); and he receives people at his home for cocktails.

POLITICAL AND. IDEOLOGICAL VIEWS

- 39. Although outwardly a "Revolutionary," RUIZ gives much more the appearance of a man with moderate political views struggling to justify to himself the actions of his government, especially in view of the political and economic realities of his country. It is possible that his feelings might lie closer to the theory of the "betrayed revolution" ---but not for strictly ideological reasons. The incompetence of the Cuban governmental bureaucracy, for example, has sabotaged the revolution.
- 40. In the first place, RUIZ definitely does not seem to be a Marxist and consequently he cannot accept the role of "robot" (his term) required by Party discipline and vertical structure.
 - a. On 29 December 1969 he wrote to Telesforo DIAZ Portillo, a MINREX official: "Revolutionaries should not be coerced by forms of political control."
 - b. On 11 December 1969 he told a visiting Agropecuario official from Havana that: "... if I disagree with orders, I question them because I am not a robot nor do I have the mentality of one. As a human being I express opinions no matter what the risk that I may have to accept personally."

- c. RUIZ seems to have little compunction in talking to what he thinks of as o'd acquairiances, even though they may be on the opposite side of the political fence from him. He once mentioned how he went out of his way to greet a "gusano" on the street because they had been friends in Havana. The Cuban exile evidently turned away from him, but RUIZ defended his own action in initiating the greeting.
- 41. Aside from the constant criticism of Havana's incompetence, lack of vision, and lack of realism, he is quick to point out the deficiencies of life in Cuba as reflected in his directive to his Embassy staff not to celebrate Christmas together, because there are hungry people at home. RUIZ has also said that medicine in general is quite backward in Cuba.
- 42. Although he is probably an athlest (or likes to think of himself as one), he is known to believe that "religion should not be considered a handicap for persons trying to return to Cuba." He does not hide his views of the American people, either, for he describes Americans as "frank" and "simple". "They treated me very well," he told Raul LEON Torres in December 1969. On the other hand, he refers to Latin American diplomats as bootlickers because they use the English language at parties, and he has remarked that "capitalism is no good."
- 43. He seems to have a certain admiration for General Francisco FRANCO, of whom RUIZ has said: "FRANCO is the only reason that Spain is not Communist." RUIZ also called FRANCO "one of the few most brilliant politicians of all time." These seem like strange words for a man as security-conscious as he.
- 44. He appears to be well-informed on international matters. Some of his views are contradictory at times, but they characterize him as what might be called an undecided realist:
 - a. "Cuba is a political power, not a military or economic power."
 - b. "The USSR has neutralized US sea power in the Mediterranean."
 - c. "Cuba can destroy Guantanamo whenever it chooses to do so, although the base has lost its strategic value to the United States."
 - d. "US-China rapproachment should be feared, but also a Japan-China alliance."
 - e. "US power is beginning to crumble, but the Soviets are revisionists."
 - f. "The Egyptians harm us when they buy sugar from Cuba and then resell to other countries."

for two reasons: first from the military and economic point of view; secondly, because, whether right or wrong, they are on the same side fighting those who are on the other side."

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SUBJECT : Cuban Charge d'Affairs Comments on

Czechoslovakian Situation

REFERENCE: OSMA-25789, dated 7 January 1970

1. The following comments of the Cuban Minister to Spain, Guillermo RUIZ Perez, reflect Cuban thoughts on the Czechoslovakian situation:

The Soviet occupation of Czechoslovakia has been a disaster; however, criticizing the Soviet action would mean taking sides with the Americans. A friend may be criticized in private but publicly be should be defended. (QUDOZE, 19 November.) The Cubans have to side with the Soviets for military and economic reasons and because, whether right or wrong, they belong to the same ideological group. Cuba had and still has enormous discrepancies with the Soviet Union, China, and the United States but weighing the differences Cuba is with Communism and opposed to Capitalism. (QUDOZE, 3 November.)

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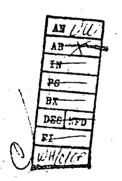
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