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FURTHER ACTIVITY OF HAITIAN/CUBAN EMIGRE GROUP
PLANNING ACTION AGAINST PRESIDENT FRANCOIS
DUVALIER OF HAITI

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1. (SUMMARY:

PRESENCE IN MIAMI ON DECEMBER 1965 OF A FORMER HAITIAN DESCRIBED AS A FUNCTIONARY OF NOW LIVING IN NEW YORK; AND ON HIS ASSOCIATION WITH ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR WHO IS A LEADER OF A CUBAN/HAITIAN EMIGRE GROUP PLANNING ACTION AGAINST PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER OF HAITI. WHO HAS BEEN REPORTED AS WORKING WITH MASFERRER AND OTHERS, HAS SAID THAT IS THE CENTER OF HAITIAN EMIGRE ACTIVITY AGAINST DUVALIER. ALSO SAID THAT IN RESPONSE TO A WARNING FROM THE

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, HE, MASFERRER, AND

[REDACTED] HAD DECLARED THAT NO UNITED STATES LAWS WERE BEING VIOLATED, SINCE ALL ACTION WOULD TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES AND NONE OF THEIR MATERIEL WAS IN THE UNITED STATES.)

2.

[REDACTED]

3. ON [REDACTED] DECEMBER 1965 IN MIAMI, FLORIDA [REDACTED]

FORMER CUBAN SENATOR,

MET WITH [REDACTED]

A FORMER HAITIAN [REDACTED]

NOW LIVING IN NEW YORK. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID THAT HE IS ASSOCIATED WITH ROLANDO MASFERRER IN HAITIAN EMIGRE PLANS TO OVERTHROW PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER.

4.

[REDACTED] SAID THAT ROLANDO MASFERRER HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE (ROLANDO) HAD MONEY, MEN, SHIPS, GUNS, AND AIRPLANES FOR THE ACTION. [REDACTED] DENIED THAT HE WAS ASSOCIATED WITH [REDACTED]

OR ANY

OTHER HAITIAN-LED GROUP. [REDACTED]

COMMENT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROLANDO MASFERRER, [REDACTED]

ARE

WORKING TOGETHER AS LEADERS OF A CUBAN/HAITIAN EMIGRE GROUP PLANNING ACTION AGAINST DUVALIER. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT A MEETING IN MIAMI ON [REDACTED] NOVEMBER THESE LEADERS HAD DECIDED THAT THE GROUP HAD ENOUGH MEN AND ARMS AND ADEQUATE TRANSPORTATION TO BEGIN THE OPERATION IN EARLY JANUARY 1966.)

5. AT ONE TIME, [REDACTED] HAD ASKED HIM TO BE MINISTER OF EDUCATION WHEN HAITI WAS FREE. [REDACTED] HAD REPLIED THAT IT WAS MUCH TOO EARLY TO DISCUSS SUCH MATTERS.

6. A THIRD PERSON, [REDACTED] THEN JOINED [REDACTED] SAID THAT [REDACTED] WOULD BE HIS REPRESENTATIVE IN MIAMI. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID THAT HE [REDACTED] WAS IN TOUCH WITH UNITED STATES OFFICIALS [REDACTED] IN THE UNITED STATES.

7. [REDACTED]

8. ON [REDACTED] DECEMBER [REDACTED] IN NEW YORK, SAID THAT [REDACTED] WAS AT THAT TIME VISITING MIAMI TO STUDY THE HAITIAN EMIGRE SCENE. [REDACTED] SAID THAT [REDACTED] IS ASSOCIATED WITH ROLANDO MASFERRER, [REDACTED] AND HIMSELF; AND THAT [REDACTED] HAD VISITED MIAMI TWO OR THREE TIMES IN THE PAST. [REDACTED] ADDED THAT [REDACTED] IS THE CENTER OF HAITIAN EMIGRE ACTIVITY AGAINST DUVALIER.

9. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID THAT HE, [REDACTED] AND ROLANDO

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[REDACTED]

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MASSENER HAD BEEN INFORMED BY THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF HAITI WERE IN VIOLATION OF UNITED STATES NEUTRALITY LAWS AND THAT THEY MUST STOP SUCH ACTIVITIES. [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE AND THE OTHER [REDACTED] LEADERS HAD REPLIED THAT THEY WERE NOT VIOLATING ANY UNITED STATES LAWS, BECAUSE ALL ACTION WOULD TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES AND THEY HAD NO GUNS OR OTHER EQUIPMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

10. FIELD DISSEM: CINCLANT, CINCSO, COMWESTFOR, [REDACTED] STATE, FBI, CUSTOMS, BORDER PATROL, I&NS, AND USCG.

11. [REDACTED] COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THERE ARE A FEW INDIVIDUAL HAITIAN EMIGRES [REDACTED] THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION OF THE STATEMENT THAT [REDACTED] IS THE CENTER OF HAITIAN "EMIGRE ACTIVITY AGAINST DUVALIER" AND THIS IS BELIEVED TO BE AN EXAGGERATION. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS BELIEVED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN LIVING IN NEW YORK RECENTLY.

[REDACTED] NOTHING IS KNOWN OF ANY

[REDACTED] AND CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE SUGGESTS THAT HE MAY ALSO BE IDENTICAL

WITH [REDACTED]

END OF MESSAGE

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