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## MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Eugenio R. Martinez

Mr. Martinez, born 8 July 1922 in Pinar del Rio, Cuba, is a naturalized U.S. citizen. He was recruited by CIA in 1961 to engage in a maritime activity against the Castro regime; more specifically to participate in infiltration operations to provide emergency exfiltration from Cuba of persons of interest to the Agency. In this connection Mr. Martinez was a principal Agent for one of the sites in the Florida Keys which housed personnel, vessels, vehicles and equipment used for these operations. As Captain of a vessel which carried a crew of six, he also engaged in a number of hazardous missions to accomplish exfiltrations. With a change in operational policy, these missions were no longer required, and in the mid 1960's the project under which Mr. Martinez operated was terminated. At that time, he was being paid \$8,100 per year. Having been removed from normal civilian pursuits because of his Agency activities, Mr. Martinez was placed on a part-time retainer of \$100 per month, after the project was terminated to provide an opportunity for him to once again get into the mainstream of Civilian life. During this period he provided occasional reports of interest to CIA. Mr. Martinez was terminated in absentia on 17 June 1972. —

Mr. Martinez was a loyal and reliable employee during his years of association with the Agency and conducted many hazardous infiltration and exfiltration missions, often under adverse conditions, willingly endangering his own life for the cause of the missions in which he strongly believed.

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