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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM SAC, MIAMI (105-8342)

RE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63

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Re New Orleans airtel 2/21/67, to Bureau, Dallas, Los Angeles, and Miami, wherein Mrs. ELISE CERNIGLIA, Catholic Cuban Center, New Orleans, is reported to have furnished information regarding MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ and EMILIO SANTANA, both of whom have been of recent interest to New Orleans District Attorney JIM GARRISON; and Bureau airtel 2/27/67, to New Orleans, Miami, Dallas, and Los Angeles relating to above referenced New Orleans airtel and instructing New Orleans and Miami, respectively, to check indices on MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ and EMILIO SANTANA.

Miami indices are negative on EMILIO SANTANA. However, information obtained on 2/28/67, at Miami regarding SANTANA is set out hereafter.

[Redacted] Cuban Refugee Center (CRC), Miami, stated she wished to advise of recent inquiries at her office by Sgt. E. W. MC CRACKEN of the Miami Police Department.

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She explained that MC CRACKEN has normal liaison with her office concerning Cubans involved in crime. About mid-January MC CRACKEN made inquiry concerning MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ, indicating it was "very confidential". CRC records contained three persons with the name MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ. None of these was a member of the anti-CASTRO organization "2506 Brigade", which was a point of identification apparently sought by MC CRACKEN.

About mid-February, 1967, Sgt. MC CRACKEN contacted CRC for informatm on a Cuban named ERNESTO GONZALEZ ALONSO, stating the inquiry was related to "the investigation in New Orleans".

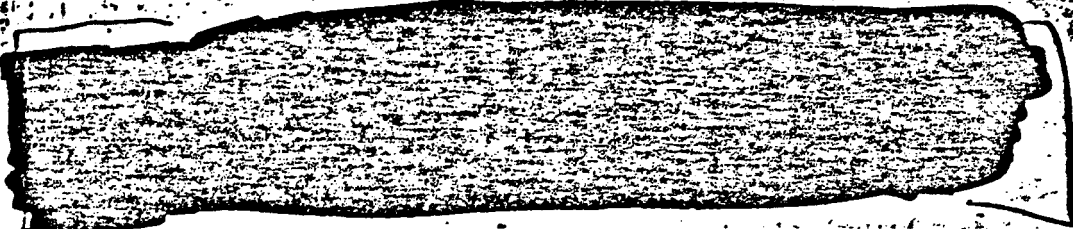
On 2/22/67, [redacted] aide to [redacted] contacted Sgt. MC CRACKEN to ascertain if MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ had been identified. She did this in view of an article, with photo, which appeared in the 2/21/67, issue of the "Miami News", a Miami dailypaper. The photo showed LEE HARVEY OSWALD with two other males. The photo was originally taken from a film strip by New Orleans TV station WDSU of OSWALD passing out handbills. The caption below the photo described the male standing next to OSWALD as a Cuban sought in Miami by New Orleans District Attorney JAMES GARRISON. The Cuban's name was said to be MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ. In response to [redacted] inquiry, Sgt. MC CRACKEN requested to review the CRC files on the three individuals named MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ who were registered with CRC. Sgt. MC CRACKEN showed specific interest in GARCIA GONZALEZ with file No. 69060. He said he would attempt to obtain a photo of this individual from the office of U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami.

[redacted] stated that Sgt. MC CRACKEN told her he, at first, did not know his inquiry was related to the investigation by GARRISON at New Orleans. He said the request for information came from the State Attorney's Office, Miami.

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The CRC file No. 69060 on MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ, in whom Sgt. MC CRACKEN was interested, was reviewed and the following data obtained:

GARCIA, born June 14, 1930, at San Luis, Pinar del Rio, Cuba, has alien registration No. 13, 107, 777. He entered the United States near Brownsville, Texas, on 8/21/62. He was a tobacco planter in Cuba and had a friend named JOSE CURA, age 48, at 2401 Glenwood Drive, Tampa, Florida. As of 3/26/66, GARCIA's wife, PIADOSA HERNANDEZ TRUJILLO, and son, JOSE M. GARCIA, born 6/17/61, both of whom had recently arrived from Cuba, were furnished tickets by CRC to fly to Puerto Rico to join GARCIA at Ravel #869, Rio Piedras, P.R.



The INS file on MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ was found to reflect he and 13 others left Cuba by small boat on 7/17/62, landing in Mexico. GARCIA proceeded to the border and crossed into the United States near Brownsville, Texas, on 8/29/62. He had been the administrator of a tobacco cooperative in Cuba from 1959 to 1962. He listed a friend as JOSE CURA SANCHEZ, 2401 Glenwood Street, Tampa, Florida. His Miami address as of 9/18/62, was listed as 1790 Northwest 3rd Street, Apartment 1. The file showed no addresses in New Orleans. A description of GARCIA was noted as follows:

Age	36
Date of Birth	6/14/30 in Cuba
Race	White
Height	5 feet 2 inches
Weight	115 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark
Other	Mole on right eye.

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Attached as the last page of each copy of this airtel is a xerox reproduction of GARCIA's photo, together with the Miami News photo of 2/21/67.

On 2/28/67, [REDACTED] CRC, Miami, made available file No. 2587 on ERNESTO GONZALEZ ALONSO concerning whom Sgt. MC CRACKEN had made inquiry in mid-February, 1967. This file reflected GONZALEZ arrived at Miami from Cuba by plane on 4/1/60. He was born 12/3/30, at Havana, Cuba, has Alien Registration No. 11, 250, 574, and Social Security No. 267-60-6130. Fla.

On 2/28/67, inquiry at INS, Miami, revealed that file on ERNESTO GONZALEZ ALONSO is not located in that office but may have been forwarded to INS, Los Angeles.

With respect to EMILIO SANTANA, mentioned in referenced airtel as an associate of MANUEL GARCIA, SANTANA's CRC file No. 68030, as furnished by [REDACTED] on 2/28/67, reflects he arrived in the United States the first time on 8/29/62. He made several trips to Cuba to bring out his relatives and friends. Fla. Cuba

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Caibarien, Cuba
The CRC has spent considerable funds trying to relocate and support him and his family. As of 11/4/63, his address was listed as 568 Northwest 1st Street, Miami. He moved to New Orleans as of 5/15/64, where he obtained employment as a fisherman. His wife gave birth to a son on 4/15/65, in Charity Hospital, New Orleans. He and family returned to Miami in May, 1965. As of April, 1966,

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As of 12/28/66, SANTANA's address was listed as 660 Southwest 1st Street, Apt. 17, Miami. Descriptive data of SANTANA is as follows:

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Name

EMILIO SANTANA GALINDO

Age

29 or 30

Born

June 7, 1936, or
July 17, 1937, at Caibarien,
Cuba.

Alien No.

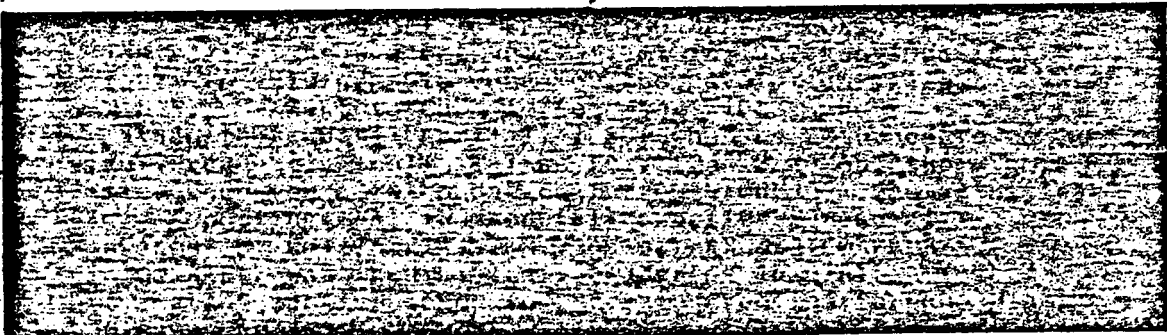
12, 803, 759 and

Social Security No.

12, 834, 694

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It is pointed out that the MANUEL GARCIA GONZALEZ described hereinabove is not identical to the one mentioned in referenced New Orleans airtel or in Bureau airtel to New Orleans, Miami, Dallas, and Los Angeles, dated 2/27/67.



In view of Bureau advice by airtel to all SACs 2/24/67, to conduct no active investigation based on the activity of JAMES C. GARRISON, Miami is making no further inquiry relating to data above. Copies of this airtel are furnished recipient offices for information purposes.