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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ 480587 FROM AKADB-SIC. FOR STR J-2 AND DCSIS USCONARC REFERENCE FONECON, THIS DATE, BETWEEN CAPT SAXTON, J-2, US STRIKOM AND LT COL FONS, DCSINTEL, THIS HQ RESULTING IN REQUIREMENT FOR FOLLOWING SUMMARY:

① (C) FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE (FPCC), LAUNCHED AT CUBAN CONSULATE, NEW YORK CITY, 1 APR 60. ON 6 APR 60, ADVERTISEMENT APPEARED IN NEW YORK TIMES ANNOUNCING FORMATION OF FPCC. ALLEGED AIM TO REVEAL TRUE STORE OF "HUMANISTIC" CASTRO REVOLUTION AND REGIME, AND EXPOSE FALSEHOODS PRINTED ABOUT CUBA IN AMERICAN PRESS. ADVERTISEMENT PARTIALLY FINANCED BY CUBAN GOVERNMENT. PAUL ROA, JR., ALTERNATE CUBAN DELEGATE TO UNITED NATIONS AND SON OF CUBAN FOREIGN MINISTER, GAVE \$3500 TO ROBERT TABER, THEN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, FPCC, TO HELP FINANCE ADVERTISEMENT. CUBAN GOVERNMENT INTENDED TO DISGUISE SUPPORT OF FPCC TO PROTECT FPCC LEADERS FROM POSSIBLE PROSECUTION FOR VIOLATION OF FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT.

② (C) OF ORIGINAL THIRTY OFFICERS AND SPONSORS OF FPCC, NO LESS THAN TEN HAD PRO-COMMUNIST OR COMMUNIST LEANINGS. ROBERT TABER IN LATE 1960 READILY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT COMMUNISTS HAD INFILTRATED FPCC AND, INDICATED THAT HE, TABER, WAS A MARXIST AT HEART.

③ (C) FPCC DESCRIBED IN USCONARC STUDY, OCTOBER 1961, AS PROPAGANDA VEHICLE FOR CUBAN GOVERNMENT, COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, (CPUSA), AND SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP). BOTH CPUSA AND SWP MADE FPCC PRIMARY TARGET FOR INFILTRATION. SWP APPEARS TO HAVE GAINED PREDOMINANT CONTROL OF FPCC, ALTHOUGH CPUSA'S SUCCESSES NOT NEGLIGIBLE. FPCC, WHILE NOT CITED, CAN BE CHARACTERIZED AS FRONT TYPE ORGANIZATION PRIMARILY CONTROLLED BY THE SWP WITH CPUSA INFLUENCES PRESENT.

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(1) (C) FPCC HAS CHAPTERS IN MOST MAJOR CITIES IN UNITED STATES. IN ADDITION, STUDENT COUNCIL CHAPTERS ESTABLISHED IN MANY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES. AS OF APRIL 1961, FPCC MEMBERSHIP ALLEGEDLY TOTALLED 7,000 IN 21 REGULAR AND 40 STUDENT COUNCIL CHAPTERS.

(2) (C) ROBERT TABER EMPLOYED PRIOR TO JULY 1960 BY COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM AS NEWS WRITER. TABER ALLEGEDLY FORCED TO RESIGN FROM CBS BECAUSE OF CONNECTION WITH FPCC. TABER SPENT THREE WEEKS WITH FIDEL CASTRO IN CUBAN SIERRA MAESTRO MOUNTAINS IN APRIL 1957. IN 1958 HE SPENT TWO MONTHS WITH RAUL CASTRO OBSERVING GUERRILLA FIGHTING IN ORIENTE PROVINCE. A LIST OF JOURNALISTS, PREPARED BY CASTRO GOVERNMENT, INCLUDED TABER AS "OBJECTIVE REPORTER" ON CUBAN AFFAIRS. ALLEGEDLY, FIDEL CASTRO SELECTED TABER TO HEAD FPCC. TABER PROFESSES TO BE MARXIST BUT DENIES BEING COMMUNIST, CLAIMING THAT CPUSA MEMBERS NOT SUFFICIENTLY FLEXIBLE AND NOT REVOLUTIONARY ENOUGH. IN FEBRUARY 1961, TABER REPORTEDLY FLED TO CUBA TO AVOID BEING SERVED SUBPOENA ISSUED BY INTERNAL SECURITY SUB-COMMITTEE. ANOTHER FPCC MEMBER, BARBARA COLLINS, ALSO FLED TO CUBA AT APPROXIMATELY SAME TIME. RICHARD GIBSON APPARENTLY TOOK OVER CONTROL OF FPCC AFTER TABER FLED. IN NOVEMBER 1962, GIBSON REPORTED IN ALGERIA UNDER BEN BELLA'S SPONSORSHIP.

(3) (C) TABER RETURNED TO US IN MARCH 1962. WHILE IN CUBA, TABER ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN CASTRO'S ENGLISH-LANGUAGE PROPAGANDA BROADCASTS. BARBARA COLLINS REPORTEDLY STILL PARTICIPATING IN CUBAN PROPAGANDA BROADCASTS.

(4) (C) THIS HQ HAD NO INFORMATION TO INDICATE EXISTENCE OF FPCC CHAPTERS IN FOURTH US ARMY AREA PRIOR TO CURRENT PRESS STATEMENTS THAT LEE OSWALD IS FPCC CHAPTER CHAIRMAN, DALLAS, TEXAS.

(SOURCES: DCSI, USCONARC, G2 FIFTH US ARMY, PRESS)

NEW SUBJECT.

(5) (FOUO) FOLLOWING IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON OSWALD, HARVEY LEE: DOB 18 OCT 39; POB NEW ORLEANS, LA; PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 5 FT 10 INCHES, 165 LBS, BLUE EYES, LIGHT BROWN HAIR; EMPLOYED: DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOL BOOK REPOSITORY, 411 ELM STREET, DALLAS, TEXAS; RESIDENCES: FT WORTH, DALLAS AND NEW ORLEANS SINCE JUN 62. IN 1959 OSWALD TRAVELED TO MOSCOW, USSR, WHERE HE ATTEMPTED TO RENOUNCE US CITIZENSHIP. HE RETURNED TO US IN JUN 62 ACCOMPANIED BY RUSSIAN WIFE, MARINA NIKOLAEVNA OSWALD. SPOUSE'S MOTHER LISTED AS PRUSAKOVA.

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(9) (FOUO) ASSISTANT CHIEF DON STRINGFELLOW, INTELLIGENCE SECTION, DALLAS POLICE DEPT, NOTIFIED 112TH INTC GP, THIS HQ, THAT INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OSWALD REVEALED HE HAD DEFECTED TO CUBA IN 1959 AND IS CARD CARRYING MEMBER OF COMMUNIST PARTY. EVALUATION B-3.

(10) (FOUO) DCSI COMMENT (FBI, DALLAS, TEXAS, AND SAN ANTONIO LIGHT NEWSPAPER STATED OSWALD TRAVELED TO MOSCOW, USSR, IN 1959. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT OSWALD MAY HAVE TRAVELED TO USSR VIA CUBA, IN VIEW OF ABOVE INFORMATION UNCOVERED BY DALLAS POLICE.

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