

M E M O R A N D U M

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TO: JIM GARRISON, District Attorney

FROM: ANDREW J. SCIAMBRA, Assistant D. A.

RE: INTERVIEW WITH "BP"
IN RE: FRIENDS OF DEMOCRATIC CUBA

I talked with BP in reference to her knowledge concerning the "Friends of Democratic Cuba" and showed her the letter which we had received in the mail. BP informed me that she had only been to the office in the Balter Building around 3 or 4 times but she remembers a few of the people who were in the organization; that she definitely remembers JOSEPH MOORE. She said that JOSEPH MOORE was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps a few months after World War II. BP says he was in his late 20's, had honey blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'8" tall and weighed from 150 to 160 pounds. She said he came into town in the same week in which BILL DALZELL formed the Friends of Democratic Cuba and opened the office in the Balter Building. She said this was around late November or December of 1960. BP said that MOORE was from the United States and not from Lima, Peru and that she only heard him speak English. BP said that the person who wrote the letter may have gotten his address mixed up because one of MOORE's associates was DALZELL, and DALZELL had a partner in some kind of deal in Lima, Peru. BP said that MOORE did not have any friends in particular and whenever she saw him he was with DALZELL or ARCACHA. BP said she is pretty certain that MOORE, who was a Paratrooper in the Marine Corps, took part in the Bay of Pigs invasion and she is under the impression that he was killed. She said that when MOORE left New Orleans he went straight to Miami, Florida. She does not know where he lived in town, but ARCACHA and DALZELL got him a room somewhere around the office she believes. BP said that MOORE had a Southern accent, possibly from the Southwest, and left right before Christmas of 1960 and in all was only around the office for about a 2 or 3 week period. She said that he just "floated in" and said that he had read about the Friends of Democratic Cuba in the paper.

BP said that GUY BANISTER had files on all of the people around the office at the time; that LOGAN was a CIA man assigned to ARCACHA and the Friends of Democratic Cuba and his counterpart from the FBI was REGIS KENNEDY. She said that LOGAN was good friends with GRADY DURHAM and that both of them belonged to the Chess Club around the Maritime Building. She said all members of the group were screened by the FBI and CIA. BP said LOGAN was tall, distinguished, had dark hair and worked out of the New Orleans office. She said she knew of no car that MOORE had. She also said that we should check into the waiters

who worked in the Court of Two Sisters during the Summer of 1963 as she has heard that at least one of the waiters had said that LEE HARVEY OSWALD stayed in one of the upstairs apartments at the Court for a while. She said that PETE MARCELLO had something to do with the Court and that she heard that he also heard that OSWALD stayed at the Court and was rather upset about it. She said that she heard that GENE DAVIS was relieved of his duties at the Court because of this. She also said that right after this period GENE DAVIS began living with a young boy who he was in love with and took out a big insurance policy on him and the boy got killed and GENE collected. BP also said that she heard that DAVIS was involved in blackmail from "queers"; that the blackmailing information came from REGIS KENNEDY and some New York agents. (BP said we should talk to a tall, black haired waiter around 6'3", 185 pounds, who is gay and who is either working at the Court or just recently left in regards to the story about OSWALD staying at the Court.) She said we should also get the records of the waiters and other employees at the Court during the Summer of 1963 and interview those people regarding this same matter. She said there are only around 15 or 20 people in the Friends of Democratic Cuba and whereas she may recognize some pictures, she could not call many by name. She said BANISTER was around there mostly with GRADY DURHAM, JACK MARTIN and DALZELL.

BP said "TIGER JIM" could be JIM POOLE who ran around with DALZELL and who would definitely know JOE MOORE. She said there is a capias out on POOLE for issuing worthless checks and he has fled the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Courts. She said when DALZELL formed the FDC in the late 60's, he was staying in the hotel which is now the John Mitchell. She said DALZELL also spent a lot of time in Peru on some deal which never materialized. She said she doesn't know CHARLIE WHITE or CLAY GOULD. She said ED BUTLER did know a lot about the FDC as he was always with GUY BANISTER and JACK MARTIN. He was responsible for the dismissal of DALZELL and the eventual formation of INCA. She says that she does not know who got the BANISTER files but she heard of JACK MARTIN trying to sell some of them. She also said that some of the Cuban people who were involved in the FDC would have had to register with the Federal Authorities (Immigration) when they came into town around 12/60 and 1/61. She said perhaps we should check with the Immigration Authorities to find out the identity of these people and that she would be glad to look at any of the pictures which we may get.