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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

My letter to you of 11/17/75 outlined the theory that J.F. Kennedy was killed because of the agreement he made with Krushchev during the missile crisis of October, 1962 that the U.S. would give up its attempts to invade Cuba in exchange for removal of the missiles. I theorized that the forces most interested in seeing Kennedy out of the way so that attacks on Cuba could again be mounted were 1) Cuban refugees, 2) the CIA, and 3) organized crime. In my letter I cited some articles from the New York Times of March and April, 1962 which illustrated the anti-Kennedy attitudes which were growing in the first group, the Cuban refugees.

Recently, I went back to the Times in an attempt to pin down this anti-Kennedy position to particular individuals. What I have done has been to comb out of news articles the names of refugees (and, also, of some Americans associated with them) who continued to try to attack Cuba in the face of the Kennedy attempt to stop them. In a moment I'll list these names for you. You can look them over and see if, based on your work, any of them can be placed in Dallas on 11/22/63. But first, let me mention one thing in particular that caught my attention- a connection, albeit it vague, between a Miami operation and Dallas. See what you think of it.

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The Times of 11/1/63 has a story about a mystery ship named the "Rex" which was launching attacks on Cuba. According to the Times, which got its info from the Miami Herald, the ship was owned by J.A. Belcher, a Miami oil company executive. Interviewed by the Herald, J.A. Belcher told reporters that for most of the year he had leased the Rex for electronic and oceanographic research to the international division of the Collins Radio Co. of Dallas. The ship's captain was identified as Alexander Brooks, and the dockage for the Rex is paid by the Sea Key Shipping Co. from a P.O. Box.

At any rate, the thing that got my attention here was the link between Miami and Dallas, Miami being the center of anti-Castro and anti-Kennedy sentiment, and Dallas being the scene of the crime. So, what about the international division of the Collins Radio Co. in Dallas. I wonder what was going on there? Was a military type ship being operated by Collins Radio international division, and if yes, what other kinds of operations could be coming out of there? It is vague, but it is worth pondering, it seems to me.

Another name that stood out was Alexander J. Rorke, Jr., described as a freelance TV reporter from New York. He seemed to be particularly determined in his efforts to get around the Kennedy blockade to attack Cuba. There's a photo of Rorke in the edition of 4/27/63.

Attached is the above mentioned list.

Yours truly,



P.S. Interesting(!) the business of the woman with underworld connections who had the relationship with Kennedy! Maybe her job was to change his mind on Cuba on behalf of the Maffia?

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1963

NY Times

3/20 - Antonio Veciana, Cecilio J. Vazquez
3/26 - Dr. Carlos Marquez Sterling
4/1 - Dagoverto Darias
4/2 Maj. Evelio Duque
4/2 Dr. Orlando Bosch
4/2 Jerry Buchanan
4/3 Alexander J. Rorke, Jr.
4/3 photo of Cubans captured by British
4/4 Luis Fernandez Rocha
4/5 Hans Tanner (of Switzerland- Rorke's lawyer)
4/5 Marcelino Garcia
4/5 Manuel Urrutia Lleo
4/6 Ramon Sanchez
4/7 Maj. Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo, Rafael Juget, Julio Cruz, Les Caraz,
Rene Cruz
4/7 Immigration Service restricts movements of 25 Cubans
4/7~~8~~ Jose Antonio Lanuza
4/7 Sergio Galliano
4/10 Dr. Jose Miro Cardona
4/14 Chas. Ashmann (Miami lawyer for captured raiders)
4/17 Jose Norman
4/23 Enrique Ruiz-Williams
4/30 Edward Hunter (worked with Rorke)
5/9 Antonio Maceo, Pedro Martinez Fraga, Dr. Antonio de Varona,
Dr. Ernesto Freyre
5/23 Antonio Veciana, Armando Fleites, Joaquin Godoy
5/29 Dr. Carlos Prio Socarras
6/13 Evangelio Rufin Calaro
6/13 Manual Quiza Docal, Eddy Jose Ramon, Crespin Mor Ruiz, Juan Espinosa
Gonzales, Jorge Rodriguez Friana, Ramon Cuevenas Conde, Roberto de
Jesus Rodriguez Friana, ~~FRANK~~ Reynaldo Jermo Hernandez, Jorge Rufin
Lustre, Ricardo Morales Navarrete
7/5 Enrique Abascal
7/17 Manuel Artime
7/21 Carlos Alberto Montaner
8/1 FBI seizes bombs in Mandeville, La., in a swelling in the Forest
Glen addition of the subdivision of Lacombe Park
8/18 Matheus Paz, Manuel Castillo, Francisco M. Castillo (executed in Cuba)
9/9 Emilio Rodriguez
9/16 Alfred Estrada, Rafael Alvarez, Jose Antonio Lanuza, Luis Fernandez
Rocha, George Calvo, Andre Mondros, Roberto Villate, O&Mundo
Rodriguez, Bernard Leon
9/16 Rorke, Frank Fiorini, Bill Johnson, Jack Griffin, Geoffry Sullivan
10/11 Santiago Alvarez, Jose Gutierrez
11/1 J.A. Belcher