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"Pedro/Charles"; Frameup, Evidence of; Os as Agt. CD320,SS705,703;SC349,SS774,792
PH and JNS only,

As I wrote earlier, in trying to get the follow on the Hudkins report from the SS, Kelley gave me the two control numbers and I checked them at the Arch, where I found they are not a followup but on a different matter, an alleged plot to kill Castro of which LHO allegedly heard in Mexico, "which infuriated" him and thus lays the motive for his crime.

My earlier work in these CDs, if any, and I think there was and I think there wasn't, would not be carded, so I don't know if I have the other reports in these two CDs. I will be going back to the Arch and I will then check these two files. As of now I do not want to take the time of making copies, which cost me about the same (plus the time) as getting them at the A., so let me know right away if you want copies and I'll get you better ones at the A when I am there, plus any others I find when I check the full files, both listed as with controls only, and those declassified I presume we now have anyway, as I shall try to remember to check first.

I have sent you my earlier Pedro Charles stuff, represented as all by Johnson.

Somebody went out of his way to break this up between the two different CDs.

Now these two Pedro Charles letters, about him, are dated the same date as the one written Os, as I recall that date, 11/27/63, which is so obvious in causing suspicion that one wonders why neither agency investigated that alone, as by checking the envelopes, which are entirely consistent, the typing, apparently identical, etc. Although both have the same 11/27 date, they are both postmarked at the identical time in the case of these two, /13/2, 6 p.m./ Among the obvious suggestions is that someone thought the US response to what that terrible red did was not vigorous enough. This is the Bringuier mentality, not really that of a CIA directive which, among other things, would have been more rapid and more sophisticated, but it can't be dismissed, either, for it was an open invitation to retaliation, and effort to inspire it.

It is of some interest that this kind of stuff was fed to Hudkins, and also of interest that the Washington Bureau man, Felton West, said there was nothing to it. I can't imagine Hudkins making up a story that he knew would fall apart, so I have to wonder about West, who spoke to him, etc. If Hudkins referred to West, it is possible the story originated with West, who was under wraps from his source, the Indispensable being one of the more likely, and esp because of the earlier reports in that papers point to the Saint.

Meanwhile, I'd appreciate promptest response to questions, which of the docs in these CDs and which relevant ones from others do you have, plus do you want me to get any you do not when I'm there?

I will treat this in AO, but I've laid that aside for other writing for which I'm trying to clear things up.

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While at the Archives yesterday for another purpose, I made a quick check for the SS continuing investigation, alleged, of the Hudkins rumor. In the course of this I came across more on "Pedro Charles2, of whom/wjich we have earlier correspondence I'm not at this late hour checking. It has to do with a letter so signed mailed to Oswald a week too late, for all the world as though there were a person in the world who didn't know LHO had gone to that which is ~~isxxxx~~ called a reward.

Well, there are two more "Pedro Charles" items in CD349, a letter to the President and one to the President of the Congress each saying that this same "Pedro Charles" had done the dirty deed for the dirty beard and no worry, the crime is now solved. Each is signed by a different name but in apparently the same hand, typed on the same typewriter, has the same typo in the original Spanish, none of which was not noted by the unhurried officials who got a translation of each to the White House 12/27/63.

Penabaz, Bringuier et al had plenty companeros, eh, amigos? -

In rereading CD320,SS703, which we discussed at some length prior to the Wardi Gras of 1969, I note a rather explicit reference to that "third man", "Photographs and film clips of Oswald and two other ~~xxx~~ subjects passing out...", the description of the third man close to what I recall from Jesse Core, thus, no doubt accounting for the profound and unending disinterest, esp. by our buddy Liebler. I'll have to be writing Kelley further about this, as I did recently, his reply not being a response. This is the memo in which it is said that Johann Rush provided those 17 prints. It had been about a year since he sent me a card saying he'd be writing soon. If you find time to nudge, wouldst nudge?

There is no doubt about this second helper. In my interview with Steele he is no less specific than to the SS. This is one of the man tapes I've not been able to transcribe. This interview was when he was looking at the remains of the WDSU film, and he said the man was not in that.

I note also in this an emphasis that the operation was allegedly said by LHO to have been connected with "ulane. Taking this at face value, we have an added clue as to the expected interest of an SI or PSI, and there is some sense in all those reports of LHO at "ulane, in that are, etc., even to the check of the phone calls made from one of the buildings. But we thus have a non-existent FPCC with non-existent "ulane connections. Back in the days of the strikebreaking business, which I once investigated (and that is the origin of the word "fink", a lower-rank strikebreaker), this was called "heating up the job", or making something where there was nothing to the end that business would be generated. Whether or not reality, is is a credible possibility.

Meanwhile, where Kelley referred me in the letter I've not yet copied and sent you, whether or not this is the right report, it is not further investigation of the original report attributed to Hudkins, the one I use opening ch. AGENT OSWALD. It is different info attributed to Hudkins.

I find it interesting that Hudkins wanted info passed on the Revill alone. Revill quit the DPD and went to work for the state, according to what I picked up "from a dependable source in a position to know", not the practise once one makes lieutenant. This rather conservative source, a professional in the business, described Revill as a good cop and a dependable man.

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DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

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Habana, Cuba

November 27, 1963

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Mr. Lyndon B. Johnson
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Mr. President:

We take pleasure in informing you that the one who planned the assassination of President John F. Kennedy is, without any doubt whatsoever, Prime Minister Fidel Castro. Two months ago, in the city of Miami, Florida, one of Castro's secret agents by the name of Pedro Charles, who uses other aliases, met young Lee Harvey Oswald in a night club in Miami, and Oswald received from Pedro Charles five thousand dollars, and later, two thousand dollars more to prepare for the job, that is to say, the crime in which the unforgettable President Kennedy lost his life.

We learned of this incident because there is a woman living in Habana who accompanied Pedro Charles on a trip from Cuba to Mexico, and afterwards, he entered Miami, where he had a talk with the sharpshooter Lee Harvey Oswald, a former United States Marine and a sympathizer of the Fidel Castro cause.

Respectfully,

[s] Alberto de la Campa

Alberto de la Campa Menendez

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[/ note; The envelope, postmarked Habana, Cuba, Dec. 3, 1963, 6 p.m. gives

the return address: Calle K y 11, Vedado, Habana, Cuba

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Habana
November 27, 1963

"President of the Congress"

Capitol
Washington, D.C.

Mr. President:

I have the honor to inform you, in connection with the dastardly assassination of the President of the United States, that the crime was financed by Mr. Pedro Charles, an agent of Fidel Castro in Mexico, who was to have^a meeting with Lee Harvey Oswald in a night club in Miami and Oswald was to receive seven thousand dollars in advance and would receive ten thousand dollars in Miami after the deed was done.

The crime against President Kennedy was prepared and premeditated for the purpose of confusing public opinion in the United States and in the world so that the blame would fall on the extreme Right and racist elements and on the Republicans. Pedro Charles, who paid Oswald to kill President Kennedy, is now in Mexico with a Cuban diplomatic passport. Thus the assassination of President Kennedy is explained.

Respectfully yours,

[s] Miguel Galbán López
Miguel Galbán López
Ex-Captain, Revolutionary Army

Translator's
[/ note: No return address. Envelope postmarked in Habana, Cuba, Dec. 3, 1963, 6 p.m. This and the letter signed "Alberto de la Campa" appear to be written and typed by the same person, even having the same typographical error in "Clun" for "club".]

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La Habana, Cuba.
Noviembre 27, 1963.

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Mr. Lyndon B. Johnson.
President of the United States of America.
Casa Blanca.
Washington D.C.

Mr. President:

Tenemos el gusto de dirigirnos a Usted para denunciar que el autor intelectual del asesinato del Presidente John F. Kennedy lo es sin duda alguna el Primer Ministro Fidel Castro. Hace dos meses, en la Ciudad de Miami, Fla, un Agente secreto de Castro llamado Pedro Charles, que usa otros nombres falsos, se entrevistó con el joven Lee Harvey Oswald en un Club Nocturno de Miami, y Oswald recibió de Pedro Charles la cantidad de cinco mil dólares, y mas tarde dos mil dólares más para preparar el trabajo, es decir, el crimen en que perdió la vida el inolvidable Presidente Kennedy,

Sabemos este extremo porque en la Habana reside una dama que acompañó a Pedro Charles de un viaje de Cuba hacia México y después entró en Miami donde se entrevistó con el expe-
to tirador Lee Harvey Oswald, ex-infante de la Marina de EE.UU y simpatizador de la causa de Fidel Castro.

De Ud. atentamente:

Alberto de la Campa
Alberto de la Campa Menendez.

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Alberto de la Campa Menéndez s.
Calle K y 11. Vedado.
La Habana. Cuba.



MR. LYNDON B. JOHNSON
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON D.C.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VIA AEREA

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La Habana,
27 de Noviembre, 1963.

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sr. Presidente del Congreso
Capitolio.
Washington D.C.

Señor Presidente:

Con relacion al vil asesinato del que fué objeto el Presidente de los Estados Unidos de América, tengo el honor de informar a Usted que dicho crimen fué pagado por el Sr. Pedro Charles, Agente de Fidel Castro en Méjico, el cual hubo de entre vistarse con Lee Harvey Oswald en Miami, en un Clun Nocturno, y recibir Oswald la cantidad de Siete mil dólares adelantado, y del cual recibiría despues del trabajo realizado la cantidad de diez mil dólares en la ciudad de Miami.

El crimen del Presidente Kennedy estaba ya preparado y premeditado con el fin de confundir a la opinion publica de los Estados Unidos y a la opinion mundial a fin de que las culpas recayeran a los ultra-derechistas y elementos racistas, asi como a partidarios del Partido Republicano. El tal Pedro Charles que pagó a Oswald por la muerte del Presidente Kennedy se encuen tra actualmente en Mejico con un pasaporte diplomatico cubano. Queda pues aclarado el asesinato del Presidente Kennedy.

De Ud. atentamente:

Miguel Galbán López
Miguel Galbán López.

Ex-Capitan del Ejercito Rebelde.

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MR. PRESIDENT OF THE
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