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Harold...

A short note regarding the subjects we discussed this afternoon.

Steve says he has not, as of 3:45 pm today, received a copy of the MS. He promises to read it promptly and get it back to you, once it arrives.

The article on Duarte from "Insight on the News" is enclosed. Insight comes out of Miami. Editor is Dr. Fernando Penabaz; contributors listed as Alan Courtney, Nguyen Cong Vihn and William S. Baron. President of parent organization (Independent Research and Publishing) is John W. Chalfant.

Incidentally, I have developed a close friend in the Miami area who could do very limited work for us, if necessary. She is a former legal secretary, now with National Airlines, and very sympathetic to the cause. She has no desire to get her head caved in or to ball any exiles for info, but she could help.

Steve does have the transcript of the Epstein piece on KLAC; he will send it.

Thanks for all the information...hope to see you soon. Please keep the Nixon thing in mind as a very real possibility.

Jim

9/12/68

Dear Jim,

Had you mentioned Penabaz when we spoke day before yesterday I could have read a 15-page file to you! I have been interested in him, and one of the fine kids working with me had done some pretty fair work on him. I got to Penabaz in your letter of 9/10 and haven't even read the enclosure so I can get this out to you today. He and his associates can be important and I would like all the dope on him that can be had. He is a Bringuer type, actually a duplicate, with a better station in life in Cuba and here. He went to Duke (Grad 1939) was a practicing lawyer in Havana, representing some big US corporations, is a Hargis man, like Bringuer, met Walker through Hargis, goes around making the most sensational inventions (not one of which could be checked out and everyone checked turned out to be false), and gets abundant exposure. So, please, everything you can lay your hands on.

Alan Courtney (WQAM, where he had these mercenary-types on his show, including Jerry Hartick Hemming - one show had an "Oswald" phone in!) also interests me much. I can send you copies of these documents if you want them, but there are about 20 and my pennies are few.

If you could have your close friend in the Miami area get interested in being a radical-right person, she could get us a lot from these types, by just going to them and saying she is interested in their literature. There need be no hazard to her if she just goes to their offices and asked for their literature, goes to their meetings, etc. Why not send her the paper, which she can say excited her interest?

There is a letter from Steve today. I'll read it now, please use him in on this and ask him to keep it close until we get it all checked out because increasingly there is premature and wrong use of stuff that thereupon comes to an abrupt dead end.

The young man with whom I am working knows even more about Penabaz. I will send him everything. I regard it as his literary property and give him what I have. I intend writing nothing about Penabaz myself. However, anything that relates to Bringuer is of great interest to me for a variety of reasons. This also seems to make Hargis a bit of an operator in the field, too.

Gotts finish to get this mailed. If you have any old tapes that you are going to throw away, I can still use them. I use the cassettes only when I travel. Those you sent me have some interesting things on them. One of these things may be heading up. Godfrey Kirkpatrick (remember?) is confined at order of the Secret Service (tell only art and Steve and ask them not to talk about it) apparently without shadow of legality, with no legal or court proceeding of any kind, for the protection of the President or the United States. If anything comes of this that can safely be used, would you be interested in a conference-call tape with me and his mother? I think I can arrange it, but I think it should not be considered until the investigation is completed at the earliest, and it is not, especially when I have to conduct it by remote control. Back to the tapes: I am not in urgent need of the tape itself, because I bought some cheap mil stuff on seven-inch reels when it was on sale here. But I do need 5 and 6 inch reels and boxes, if you have any that are to be discarded, and I can always use the old tapes. I've got about 4,000 feet right now, which can last a long while or disappear fast.

Many thanks and best to you all. Your possibility is, and I may be able to work along the same line. Haven't tried. I have a friend who was once head of one of his commissions. It just comes to me, connecting Duarte to Penabaz justifies Penabaz in COUP D'ETAT! What a way to work, too fast to think!