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I, Bradley E. Ayers, do hereby state with unequivocal certainty, that the image in the photograph attached hereto and bearing my distinctive signature in the lower left corner is that of the man I knew as David A. MORALES when I served with the Miami CIA Station (JMWAVE) in 1963 and 1964.

David A. MORALES is identified in my non-fiction book, THE WAR THAT NEVER WAS (An Insider's Account of CIA covert operations against Cuba - (hardcover) Bobbs-Merrill, 1976; (paperback) Major Books, 1979) as "Dave" and/or "The Big Indian" and as the Chief, Operations Branch throughout the book. My contact and association with MORALES are described in detail in my book.

I further state, with certainty, that "Dave" controlled John ROSSELLI who was represented to the staff at the Station as "Colonel" ROSSELLI. ROSSELLI's role and function in operations at JMWAVE has been defined by other sources. I was unwitting at the time that John ROSSELLI was, in fact, a Mafia functionary, but I did know that he was involved in the planning and execution of the (attempted) assassination of Fidel Castro. I trained Cuban agents who were members of various covert-paramilitary teams that were under the control of ROSSELLI and other case officers and operatives of the Operations Branch as part of my mission at the station.

After December, 1964, I had no further contact with David MORALES. It was not until I had a "chance" encounter with former assistant Chief, Operations Branch, JMWAVE, Robert (Bob) WALL at the Kona Kai International Yacht Club, San Diego, in early 1989 that I learned (was told) that David MORALES had retired from the CIA, returned to his home in New Mexico and had died a few years earlier. Mr. WALL is fully knowledgeable of David MORALES CIA function(s), at least during the period of the mid-1960's, since he was competing with MORALES for the same operational post(s) on the JMWAVE staff under the supervision of Mr. Theodore SHACKLEY.

Within the context of the foregoing, I vaguely recall the names (pseudonyms) HECTOR and/or PETER as being "outside" contract operatives under the control of David MORALES and/or the Operations Branch. I more specifically recall these names as associated with special weapons training administered by "LARRY" of the Training Branch to which I was assigned shortly after joining JMWAVE in early 1963.

David MORALES, at the time I knew him, was about 6'2", portly and reflecting a heavy drinking habit. He was foul tempered, suspicious of all but a few staff members and extremely protective of his turf as Operations Chief. There was constant friction between Bob WALL and MORALES but MORALES held sway with SHACKLEY and dominated the entire operational agenda at the Station.



I have vague recollection of David MORALES being away from the Miami Station for extended periods (2 to 7 days) when Bob WALL would serve as the (acting) Chief of Operations. Then, Mr. MORALES absence would often be explained by someone in the section or by a secretary as "Dave is in Mexico." It is my opinion that MORALES frequent absence was a source of conflict between WALL and MORALES. Further, MORALES was often demonstrably irritated with changes to planned JMWAVE covert/paramilitary operations that were handed down by CIA headquarters at Langley or by orders from the Special Group that seemed to be micro-managing the secret war against Castro.

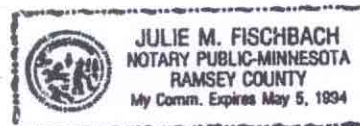
I do not recall any close association between Tom CLINES the Assistant Chief of Station, and David MORALES. CLINES was always in the background until he asserted an operational role with me in the Elliott Key-refinery raid mission just prior to the KENNEDY assassination. (CLINES is identified in my book as Keith RANDALL). Conversely, the identification of David A. MORALES in my book (THE WAR THAT NEVER WAS) as "Dave" or "The Big Indian" is a true and accurate identification of the individual as he was commonly known at JMWAVE in 1963 and 1964. MORALES was said, by Bob WALL and other JMWAVE staff members, to be of Native American (Navajo) and Mexican extraction. MORALES possessed both the physical features and mannerisms characteristic of these origins.

  
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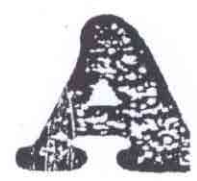
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