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Dear Hal,

Rushing to get this out to you so that it will arrive in New Orleans.

Enclosed find copies of statements by Brooks obtained from that person you requested me to contact. He has no first-hand accounts to relate just guesses as to Masferrer, etc. I'll send you his report to you in ~~Maryland~~. It's based on his readings of various books, articles, etc. Nothing really vital but interesting.

That 26-page transcript is still not ready. My student is going over it to correlate it with photos, names he showed the person he interviewed. It will make no sense to send the tape, because it is barely audible so you won't receive it in New Orleans. The transcript will be ready this week and you'll get it in Maryland.

I'll relate some details of the tape I recalled and noted that you can look into right away. The person interviewed on this tape (of the 26 page transcript) recognized Seymour from the photo shown him. Forgot to mention this to you in my last letter. Also forgot to mention the fact that when shown the photo of Howard he identified him not only photographically but also by name as Alonzo. This individual believes that Seymour was associated with a group known as Morgan's Raiders in Chicago. He said "I'm fairly sure". It's our guess here that Morgan is probably William Alexander Morgan who once aided Castro in the revolution (he rose to the rank of Major). Morgan's a former paratrooper from Toledo, Ohio. If I'm not mistaken I believe he turned against Castro and was later executed by him. Morgan once trained the Second National Front of the Escambray which, incidentally, is also the Alpha 66 group.

This individual also recalled having met a person he believed was Col. Castorr. He describes him as being quite fluent in Spanish and feels he was a Latin-American.

If you'll recall this individual said he knew Luis Moreno who was the head of the 30th of Nov. Movement in Miami. He told me that Moreno knew Quarito and I would suggest that someone contact Moreno to find out what he might know further.

A person named Gaston (a Cuban) was mentioned by this person as being a CIA man who worked with the Alpha 66 group. He said Gaston was killed in 1964 after a raid in Cuba in which the CIA "abandoned" him causing bitter feeling by exiles against the CIA. Gaston believed to have been present when Oswald scuffle took place. Gaston is described as "quite strong physically". Gaston is believed to have once attended a Military Academy in New Orleans (name unknown).

Other things you may want to look into: There's a note in Oswald's notebook reading as "Free F" next to "12.00". This could be a reference to the "Freedom For Cuba Party" referred to in the "Supplementary Investigation Report" by Buddy Walthers where he says he talked to Sorrels about this group "of which Oswald was a member". See Vol. 16, P. 38 for O's notebook and Ramparts, June '67 (p. 25) ON Walthers statement. What the "12.00" figure means next to it could either be a time (such as meeting time) or a money figure.

For a "crypto" reference see Meyers testimony, Vol. 15, p. 638.

Nothing new on Dondson, yet - still working on it.

Before I forget, Saul Landau of KQED Television station asked me to ask Garrison if he would agree to an interview for the

station. Their only stipulation would be that he agree to be interviewed by an "expert" who was pro-Commission. I told Saul I couldn't think of any who would agree to tackle this, but I would contact Garrison on this at once. Landau is available at the station until the 20th of this month and then the person to contact is Mel Wax (who is supposed to be a friend of Christian). It'd be ~~xxxxxxx~~ better, though, to deal with Landau. He's very favorable and, as you know, Mel Wax bowed out of a program with you ~~xxx~~ at the last moment.

The importance of this program can't be ~~xxxxxxx~~ over-emphasized. If Garrison is interviewed Landau said he would try to get it syndicated through NET (National Educational Television). He said this would reach an estimated viewing audience of some 15 million. I think he can do it. Our only problem is that of getting a pro-Commission interviewer agreeable or daring enough to interview him.

Well, I've got to run to get this out. I'll write soon again.

Best,

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