

7 December 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM : CAS, Joseph Vidal

SUBJECT : Attribution of President Kennedy's Assassination to an Alleged Chicoms/Castro Plot

1. This office received information from a Western diplomat on 6 December 1963 which alleges that the assassination of President Kennedy was the result of a plot prepared and executed jointly by the Chicoms and Fidel Castro through intermediaries. The diplomat obtained this information from an as yet unidentified source whom the diplomat has tentatively described as "very good." The following are the basic ingredients of the allegation:

a. Reportedly, Fidel Castro is extremely worried about the current probing taking place into the assassination of President Kennedy and about the possible findings that may ensue.

b. The plot to assassinate President Kennedy was arranged by the Chicoms and Cuban sympathizers. About a dozen persons who were privy to the plot have been provisionally jailed in Cuba to prevent any indiscretions which could prove dangerous to the Cuban Government at this time. The diplomat's source himself is fearful that his arrest is imminent.

c. An individual by the name of (fnu) SAAVEDRA, who is an alleged close friend of Calixto, uttered indiscretions (in Cuba at an unspecified time) which pointed to the complicity of the Chicoms and Fidel Castro in the assassination of the President. There appears to have been no Soviet participation in the plot because at this time the Soviets are too close to the Americans.

d. The intermediaries in the plot, located in Dallas, Texas, were:

1) Ramon B. CORTES, identified only as half-Mexican and half-American.

2) (fnu) FERNANDEZ Poite, identified only as Cuban. These men were contacted through an unidentified bank located at 14 Wall Street, New York City.

e. It appears that a Cuban refugee, Roberto NIETO living at 5949 Foreward Lake Drive, South Miami, can give details on CHICOMS and FERNANDEZ Poite.

2. A check of this office's files revealed no identifiable traces of (fnu) SAAYEDRA, Ramon B. COMES, or (fnu) FERRANDEZ Reite. Our files do confirm the location of a Robert ^HNIETO at the above address, who was born 29 September 1943 at Victoria de las Tunas, Cerro Gordo Province; entered the U.S. 4 March 1962; listing his occupation as student.

3. Though this office cannot at this juncture vouch for the reliability of the original source nor the credibility or veracity of the information, steps have been initiated to develop the information further and to identify the original source. If this action produces any additional data, it will be forwarded to you immediately.

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