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| INVESTIGATION MADE AT<br>Miami, Florida      | PERIOD COVERED<br>11-27/29-63 |   |
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DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

Information has been received from 3-11-48 indicating that if the assassination of President Kennedy involved an international plot or conspiracy and that if it was established that Fidel Castro had anything to do with the plot or conspiracy, that the party responsible for carrying out any action on the part of Fidel Castro undoubtedly was Quintin Pino Machado, a Cuban terrorist used by Castro to carry out any Castro action.

(A) INTRODUCTION:

On November 27, 1963, 3-11-48 was interviewed on another matter and during this interview he furnished information which he believed pertinent in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy.

(B) GENERAL INQUIRIES:

During interview of 3-11-48 on November 27, 1963, he stated that if an international conspiracy or plot, or if Castro's intervention in the assassination of President Kennedy is in fact established, that Quintin Pino Machado would have been the intellectual director of the conspiracy or plot. Source related that Quintin Pino Machado belonged to the Communist Party but was better known as "belonging to Castro".

3-11-48 added that Quintin Pino Machado was a former Cuban delegate to the U.N. and subsequently the Cuban ambassador to Nicaragua. He stated that Machado is well known as a terrorist who also trained other youth in the manufacturing or placing of bombs and explosives and was the chief coordinator of sabotage for Castro against Batista.

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|   |   | APPROVED<br><i>John A. Marshall</i><br>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE John A. Marshall | DATE<br>11-29-63        |

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Source further related that Quintin Pino Machado worked in a clandestine manner for Castro throughout South America and is the person responsible for Castro action in North and Central America, as well as in the Caribbean area.

3-11-48 also stated that while Quintin Pino Machado was Cuban ambassador to Nicaragua, he allegedly sponsored a baseball team known as "Cuba" and would take the members of the baseball team to an outlying area allegedly to practice the game, but instead taught them how to manufacture bombs and explosives.

3-11-48 further advised that either in June or July 1963 Quintin Pino Machado was known to have participated in a conference with Cheddy Jagan in Trinidad, South America and subsequently Quintin Pino Machado allegedly continued operating out of Mexico City and may have been there prior to or up until the assassination of President Kennedy. The source said that they were employing all of their resources in trying to discreetly determine whether or not Quintin Pino Machado was in fact in Mexico City prior to the President's assassination. They advised that they have dispatched a delegate to Mexico City to work in unison with their delegation in that city in an effort to determine whether Quintin Pino Machado was in any way involved or whether the conspiracy may have been originated through Fidel Castro.

The above information was discussed with SAIC Marshall on November 27, 1963 and on November 29, 1963 it was telephonically furnished to SA Max Phillips at Dallas, Texas.

With respect to Quintin Pino Machado, reference is made to the file involving a Cuban plot to assassinate the President under file CO-2-32,682, specifically to Page 9 of report submitted by the reporting agent dated December 14, 1962 wherein Quintin Pino Machado is prominently mentioned. Further reference is made to Paragraph 7, Page 9 of the referenced report, wherein is indicated that "The source cautions that Quintin Pino Machado should be considered a dangerous person".

On November 29, 1963, 3-11-48 again contacted this office and revealed that while Quintin Pino Machado was in a drunken condition in Las Villas Province, Cuba (exact date not recalled) Machado boasted that he had almost succeeded in assassinating Dr. Enrique Huertas at Miami, Fla. (This office has no information regarding the latter assassination attempt on Dr. Enrique Huertas). It is noted, however, that Dr. Enrique Huertas was among the invited guests to participate at the dinner in honor of President John F. Kennedy held at the Americana Hotel on November 18, 1963 under the auspices of the Inter-American Press Association.