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SOURCE: A former Cuban IS officer who served with the Cuban Intelligence Service until April 1964.

Headquarters Comments

The following report is one of a series containing personality information provided by the source and includes supplemental information from the records of this Agency.

It is requested that the addressees take no action on any of the individuals mentioned in the personality reports without first checking with this Agency.

1. Source identified Baldemiro CASTRO Garcia, a Dominican, as a member of the Marxist-Leninist Movimiento Popular Dominicano (MPD) who was a student at the guerrilla warfare training school in Cuba. Source only saw CASTRO once, and this was at the home of the delegate of the pro-Castro Agrupacion Politica Catorce de Junio (APCJ) in Habana. 1

2. CASTRO was described by source as being about 5'8" tall, thin, and wearing a mustache. 2,3

Headquarters Comments:

1. The representative of the APCJ in Habana was probably Socrates Isaïns "Pupo" PEGUERO Schourer. A usually reliable source reported in TDCS-314/05596-64 that PEGUERO will be removed from his position as representative of the APCJ in Habana, and will be replaced by Daniel MATIAS Abrú, who is now in Habana.

2. According to another source CASTRO is white, 5'10", has a pock-marked face, kinky hair, and is "pop-eyed."

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3. In May 1962 an untested source, who was then a member of the MPD, said that CASTRO was probably Secretary of Workers' Affairs on the Central Committee of the MPD. (See CS-3/511,325). An official 24 Jamaican service reported in CS-3/561,001 that CASTRO arrived in Kingston, Jamaica, on 18 September 1963 en route to Habana as a delegate to attend the Seventh Congress of the International Union of Architects, to be held from 29 September to 3 October 1963. His passport, No. 115933, issued on 10 September 1963, stated that he was born on 5 May 1928 in Santo Domingo and that he was an industrial employee. In December 1963 an untested source, a member of the MPD, reported that the first rebel groups under the direction of the MPD had been formed at Hato Mayor and at El Seibo, in the eastern part of the Dominican Republic, and that the Hato Mayor group, composed of about 150 men from all leftist parties, was under the leadership of Roman Baldemiro CASTRO. (See TDCS 3/567,279). In October 1964 CASTRO is reported to have returned to the Dominican Republic from Cuba. (See CS-311/06078-64). CASTRO is married to Ana Mercedes ESPINAL, and they have six children.

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