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Chief, WH Division 15-27
Operational/AMUG/1 [Barcelona] Requests for Traces on Manuel ESTEVEZ Perez and for Report on the Cuban Intelligence Service.

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1. During [REDACTED]'s recent trip to [Barcelona] the COB requested the following items from Headquarters:

a. Traces on Inu ESTEVEZ Perez (identified as the Cuban Consul General, Barcelona): Headquarters reveals that this is Manuel ESTEVEZ Perez (201-333002) formerly First Secretary at the Cuban Embassy in Madrid from 1962 to 1963. He is #174 on the Cuban Watchlist. Other information available at Headquarters follows.

DPOB: 10 November 1922, Cuba
WIFE: Elia HERNANDEZ Leon
Passport #'s: Reported as D/60/545 and D/62/386
Education: Poorly educated and uncultured
Background: Reported to be an active member of the Cuban Communist Party. Has worked as a movie extra and apparently belonged to the Cuban Artists Association. Activities from 1960 to 1963 are summarized as follows:

(1). 1960. - Reported to be going to Mexico on a propaganda mission. August 1960 was reported to be 1st Secretary at the Cuban Embassy, Prague. During this same tour of duty he served as a diplomatic courier between Prague and Cologno and as a special courier for Cuban missions in Western Europe. He has been reported to be the "strong man" at the Cuban Embassy rather than the Ambassador.

(2). 1963 - First Secretary, Cuban Embassy, Madrid. Responsible for political and propaganda matters and Communist Party contacts, for editing the Embassy newspaper Boletin, and apparently was also responsible for the code room. Travelled as Diplomat in July 1962 from France to Spain (IN 33884, July 1962).

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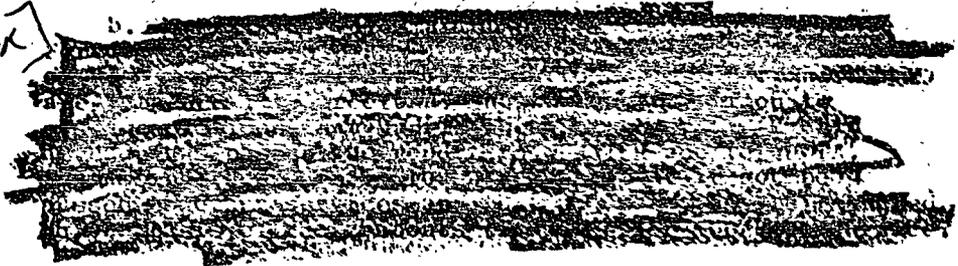
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(3). 1963 - Made a trip to Brussels and Paris, leaving Madrid on 22 March and returning on the 27th of March; purpose of trip unknown. Assumed the duties of Consul at the Cuban Consulate in Barcelona, effective 3 December 1963. Traveled in April 1963 to Cuba and then returned to Spain. (IS 18996, April 1963)

(4). 1964 - February 1964 he travelled from Spain to Cuba. (OS 5895, February 1964)

ESTEVEZ's reported duties as special courier and control of the core room indicates employment by the Cuban Intelligence Service according to information Hqs. has received from AMNUG/1. (It is suggested that [Madrid] 15-2 forward any local traces which add to the foregoing.)

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2. JMWAVE - Please query AMNUG/1 on ESTEVEZ and the above information and forward to addressees.

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