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a former Miami Station maritime asset who was terminated 31 August 1972, informed Mr. Esterline that he and a business friend, Arnold Williamson, had been contacted frantically by the daughter or wife of Mr. Martinez requesting immediate assistance in getting Mr. Martinez' car out of the airport parking garage since it contained deeply compromising material which had to be removed before the FBI got to it. Mr. Esterline told Begunstein that under no circumstances should he become involved in this matter and relayed the information to CIA Headquarters and the Miami Field Office. A decision was made by CIA Headquarters to pass this information to the FBI at the Headquarters level. At Mr. Esterline's request Mr. Begunstein obtained a description of the automobile and its location in the garage. A faulty description prevented immediate location of the car. On the basis of a corrected description the FBI on 19 June found and impounded the car which in fact did contain a number of old documents relating to maritime operations in the early 1960's and a notebook, copies of which were made available to the Miami Station by the FBI. In further coordination with the FBI Mr. Esterline confirmed that Bernard Barker had been a CIA employee and that Mr. Martinez, who was well known to the FBI to have been a CIA employee, was no longer an active employee but was maintained as an informant. Mr. Esterline advised the FBI that there might be one or two telephone numbers in Mr. Martinez' notebook relating to the Miami Station inasmuch as Mr. Martinez had been provided a means of effecting emergency contact with the Station. The FBI said it would be alert to this possibility and accepted Mr. Esterline's statement that the Station had been totally unaware of Mr. Martinez' secret relations with Mr. Hunt. The FBI promised to avoid disclosure of the fact that CIA had been instrumental in helping them locate Mr. Martinez' car because of the problems it could create for the source who had reported the matter to CIA.

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