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SAC, Washington Field

Director, FBI (2-1396)

EDWARD BROWDER, JR., was.,
Edward Boles Browder,
John D. McCormick
REGISTRATION ACT

June 30, 1954

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Rebulet to Legat, Mexico City, cc - WFO, 5-17-54, captioned
"John D. McCormick, Registration Act."

It is noted that this investigation is based upon receipt of information from the State Department during March, 1954, to the effect that one John D. McCormick, who was then residing in Mexico City, and who was presumed to be an American, had offered his services to President Jose Figueres of Costa Rica in connection with an alleged revolutionary plot against Figueres. The facts in this case were presented to the Criminal Division for their opinion as to whether or not there was a potential violation of the Neutrality statutes under which the Bureau has jurisdiction. The Criminal Division subsequently advised that, while there was no logical basis to conduct an investigation from the standpoint of neutrality laws, an investigation should be undertaken to determine whether the subject's activities constituted a violation of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

Rebulet instructed the Legat, Mexico City, to initiate an appropriate investigation in line with the Criminal Division's request, and a lead was set out for the WFO to check passport and visa files of the State Department for pertinent data concerning McCormick.

There is attached hereto for the WFO a copy of a cablegram dated 6-11-54 from the Legat, Mexico City, which reflects that McCormick is identical with Edward Browder, Jr., FBI No. 4 840 823, and further that the subject is presently in the custody of Mexican authorities on a bad check charge. Copies of Browder's identification record were forwarded to the Legat, Mexico City, on 6-14-54 via air mail. A copy of this record is attached hereto for the information of the WFO.

For the further information of the WFO, Bureau files disclosed that Browder was born on 6-22-17, at Amarillo, Texas. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aeronautic Engineering from the University of Texas and also attended the Boeing School of Aeronautics and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, England, for one and one-half years.

cc - 2 - Legat Attache,
Mexico City, Mexico

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[DECODE OF CODED CABLE NUMBER 559 DATED JUNE 11, 1954 AT
MEXICO CITY, MEXICO. RECEIVED VIA THE STATE DEPARTMENT.]

URGENT

JOHN D. MC CORMICK, REGISTRATION ACT. REBULET [MAY 17] (c)
LAST. SUBJECT IDENTICAL WITH EDWARD BROWDER, JUNIOR,
FBI NUMBER 4840823 MENTIONED BULET TO PHOENIX [MARCH 26,
1953.] ENTITLED CARLOS PRIO SOCARRAS, ET AL, WAS ARRESTED
[MAY 10] LAST MEXICO CITY AND BEING HELD BY MEXICAN AUTHOR-
ITIES FOLLOWING HIS ATTEMPT TO HAVE QUANTITY OF CASHIERS
CHECKS PRINTED ON US BANKS. INVESTIGATION INDICATES
SUBJECT HAS OFFERED ARMS, SERVICES, AND OR INFORMATION
TO GUATEMALAN AND NICARAGUAN AS WELL AS COSTA RICAN
GOVERNMENTS AND WAS INTENDING TO FLY TO MANAGUA [JUNE 11] (c)
FOR PERSONAL CONTACT PRESIDENT SOMOZA. INTERROGATION
OF SUBJECT SCHEDULED TODAY, BUT GOBERNACION CONTACT
FLORES FAGOAGA REQUESTS CRIMINAL RECORD BY DIRECT AIR-
MAIL TO LEGAL ATTACHE AND ADVICE IF WANTED IN US AS
BASIS POSSIBLE DEPORTATION.

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(mistaken on copy)
" Being handled by
Ident (crotts)
Subj not wanted
in US + Legat
being so advised
WGO
3 AM [6-12-54] (c)

Note a copy
Ident record read
from Ident Div (6/11/54)
+ sent to Legat, Mex
by airmail some day
NLP

Let to WFO via att
cc - Legat Mexico
City, Foreign Service
Desk
Let to Warren along the
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cc: Mr. Belmont
cc: Mr. Ferris (Ident)
Handling

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outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in
order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.] (c)

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