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On July 14, 1959, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, was present during a discussion of Pedro Diaz Lanz, former Chief of the Cuban Air Force, who on that date testified before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. This discussion was between [Dora Saavedra, wife] of the [Cuban Military Attaché], and his assistant, [Lieutenant Joaquin Bertran]. (s)

(s) According to the informant, [Bertran] asserted that all the statements made by Diaz Lanz were false and without proof. Among these [Bertran] indicated that Diaz Lanz stated that Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro had told Diaz Lanz that he, Castro, is a communist and is going to install a communist system in Cuba. Both [Bertran] and Mrs. [Saavedra] lamented the fact that these statements, even though false, are being made public. (s)

[Bertran] continued by saying that Diaz Lanz has been making one accusation after another without corroboration and no witnesses present to rebut the statements. [Bertran] felt that the whole proceeding was totally lacking in judicial qualities of a fair hearing and believed that no one has tried to ascertain whether the statements of Diaz Lanz are true or false. (s)

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