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Continuing investigation into the circumstances surrounding the homicide of JOSE E. de la TORRIENTE which occurred on Wednesday, April 24, 1974, in Dade County, Florida.

Detectives R. J. Diaz and R. Gonzalez received the following information from CI TIS 0052 on Wednesday, April 24, 1974, at approximately 9:00 p.m.

C.I. stated that many of the incidents which are occurring lately seem to be a repetition of the activities of ORLANDO BOSCH and his associates circa 1968. On January 23, 1968, Patria newspaper issued the first communique of Cuban power signed by "Ernesto". ("Ernesto" was later identified by a Federal Grand Jury as being ORLANDO BOSCH)

In that communique "ERNESTO" denounced Dr. ENRIQUE HUERTAS, JOSE E. de la TORRIENTE and MANUEL ARTIMES as being thieves, stealing from the Cuban exiles.

(It has been learned in the past week that MANUEL ARTIMES has allegedly received a letter from "CERO" listing ARTIMES as one of the next victims. Dr. HUERTAS has told his associates he was going to a medical convention in Atlanta, Georgia, although this writer learned from a reliable source that Dr. HUERTAS is in Miami, hiding from BOSCH.)

C.I. further stated that assuming BOSCH was involved in the TORRIENTE homicide directly or indirectly, there are very few people whom BOSCH would trust to carry out such an act.

Among those trusted by BOSCH and who, according to the C.I., are capable of carrying out such a mission are BARBARO BALAN GARCIA, JESUS DOMINGUEZ BENITEZ, aka "EL ISLENO", JOSE DIAZ MOREJON, aka "TONY PRIETO" and MARCOS RODRIGUEZ RAMOS (presently in federal prison).

~~According to the C.I. and federal sources in 1972, MAX LESNIK had a plan to kill EDEL CASTRO in Chile while CASTRO was visiting that country. LESNIK needed two men for his plan so he approached DIEGO MEDINA of Alpha 66 and asked him for two men.~~

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~~MEDINA produced DOMINGUEZ who had just gotten out of jail and wanted to do anything and DOMINGUEZ suggested RODRIGUEZ who was allegedly a fugitive at the time.~~

~~JESNIK supplied DOMINGUEZ and RODRIGUEZ with false press papers and made the necessary arrangements in Chile through ANTONIO VECIANA.~~

~~(VECIANA was a member of El Segundo Frente Nacional del Escambray Alpha 66 and a very close associate of JESNIK. JESNIK told another source that VECIANA is my right hand. VECIANA is presently serving a long term sentence for distribution of narcotics.)~~

VECIANA arranged several "safe-houses" for DOMINGUEZ and RODRIGUEZ and rented an apartment for them in Chile.

DOMINGUEZ and RODRIGUEZ traveled to Caracas, Venezuela, from Miami and from Caracas to Chile. Approximately three weeks after they arrived in Chile, RODRIGUEZ was admitted to a hospital with apendicitis and the plan was not carried out.

DOMINGUEZ and RODRIGUEZ went back to Caracas where RODRIGUEZ turned himself into the American Embassy in Caracas and was later sent to federal penitentiary in Atlanta, Georgia. DOMINGUEZ returned to Miami.

Approximately four months ago, an inquiry was made to the Miami office of the F.B.I. by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police about JESUS DOMINGUEZ BENITEZ. The RCMP stated that they had received information indicating that DOMINGUEZ might attempt to assassinate Russia's Premier Leonid Brezhnev who was visiting Canada at that time. F.B.I. agents attempted to locate DOMINGUEZ with negative results and ceased trying to locate him after BREZHNEV left Canada. (S)

According to C.I., DOMINGUEZ is presently staying with HUMBERTO FEBLES and FEBLES' brother. DOMINGUEZ is driving an unknown type vehicle with New Jersey license plates. DOMINGUEZ has been known to associate with narcotics figures and also to have been involved in meat trucks hijackings.

DOMINGUEZ' close associates at this time are JOSE DIAZ MOREJON and BARBARO BALAN GARCIA.

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DIAZ and BALAN were arrested because of their involvement with ORLANDO BOSCH's Cuban Power group in 1968 and are also close associates of LESNIK and BOSCH.

Given the background of DOMINGUEZ in prior attempts to assassinate political figures and his definite connection with BOSCH and LESNIK (who have been named by other sources as having been involved in the TORRIENTE homicide "behind the scenes"), it is this writer's opinion that DOMINGUEZ should be looked at as a suspect in the TORRIENTE case.

Investigation continues.

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