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DATE: December 7, 1960  
TO: THOMAS J. KELLY, Metropolitan Sheriff  
FROM: LT. FRANK KAPPEL, Supervisor, Criminal Intelligence  
SUBJECT: CUBAN COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES - MANOLO RAY RIVERO

On December 6, 1960 agent A. L. TARABOCHIA was contacted by a very reliable source who indicated that he had special information which he had obtained during a recent conversation with MANOLO RAY.

MANOLO RAY RIVERO, one of the most capable engineers in Cuba, participated in the construction of the Havana tunnel and the Habana Hilton Hotel. RAY was very active in the underground during BATISTA's regime and was named minister of Public Works in the Castro Government after the 1st of January, 1959.

The informant is a Cuban physician of world fame who has been an active conspirator against the last three Cuban dictators: MACHADO, BATISTA and CASTRO.

Due to his activities and contacts in the professional world of Cuba, the informant is in a position to give accurate information on most anti-Castro leaders either in Cuba or in exile.

During the interview, the doctor stated that he had known RAY for a number of years and considered him to be an honest and just person. An indication of RAY's fairness was the fact that during his tenure of office, he awarded contracts to persons that, although were considered his professional enemies, were the best qualified to carry out the projects assigned to them.

Another indication of RAY's efficiency was the fact that he didn't hesitate, over strong opposition from Castro, to secure the services of United States efficiency experts based in Puerto Rico for the reorganization of the ministry of Public Works. According to RAY, the performance of these experts was such that they were awarded contracts to reorganize two more ministries.

RAY claims that he never adopted socialist policies and to emphasize this, he adds that all of the contracts awarded by his ministry went to firms owned and operated by private capital.

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