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ARTURO ESPAILLAT
INTERNAL SECURITY - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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On January 22, 1963, the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General were advised that a confidential and reliable source had reported that Arturo Espallat, former Dominican intelligence chief now residing in Ottawa, Canada, was part of the late Generalissimo Rafael L. Trujillo's payoff apparatus along with Manuel de Hoyas, former Dominican Ambassador to the United States. It was alleged that payoffs were made to United States officials and members of Congress. The source alleged that most of the payments were in the form of campaign contributions which took place over a period of years. It was further alleged that proof of such payments was then believed to be in Espallat's possession in Ottawa and the Teamsters Union was negotiating for the purchase of such proof. Frank Chavez, Secretary-Treasurer, Teamsters Union, Local 891, San Juan, Puerto Rico, was reportedly handling the matter. It was stated that the Teamsters Union desired the information since that Union was under heavy attack by the Government and needed all the friends it could get.

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On June 26, 1963, Mr. Thomas Kennolly of your Division informed our San Juan Office that he had talked with Leopoldo Ramos-Ducos, President, Local 610, Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union, former Teamsters Union organizer, who advised as follows:

Ramos-Ducos stated that Jaime Amador, former Teamsters Union official in San Juan area who was recently released from a penitentiary, had indicated that he was going to Canada on June 29, 1963, to see Espallat about a "deal" in which he (Amador) could make a lot of money and inferred that he had some of the money in his pocket. Mr. Kennolly was unable to obtain further details from Ramos-Ducos regarding this trip.

Mr. Kennolly requested that this information be furnished to Mr. Walter Sheridan of your Division.

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Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.

NOTE FOR LEGAL ATTACHE, OTTAWA:

You are instructed to advise your contact in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) of reported trip of Jaime Amador to Canada on 6/28/63 to see Espailat. RCMP should be requested to furnish any information it might receive regarding Amador's contact with Espailat. (S)

NOTE:

On 1/22/63 recipient offices were furnished information contained in paragraph one of this letter. They were alerted to furnish any further data received in future which might possibly pertain to this information. (Ottawa is being instructed to inform RCMP of Amador's trip to Canada and to advise Legat of any information it might receive pertaining to Amador's contact with Espailat. (S)

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