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MEMORANDUM FOR: EPIDEMIC (C)

4 February 1963

SUBJECT: Alpha 66 Boat Seizure

1. (U) Reference the seizure of an Alpha 66 operated boat in Miami on 31 October 1962.

2. (C) Maj Decker, Lt Col Drashpil and undersigned this date visited Mr. Lester Johnson, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Investigations and Enforcement, Treasury Department Bureau of Customs. Purpose of the visit was to ascertain the current status of the case involving the seized boat and contents. Mr. Johnson was told we were in contact with some of the parties (unnamed) and in order to maintain our relations with them desired to know the current status of this case. We stated that we were not a party to any petition for release of the boat.

3. (U) According to Mr. Johnson, there is no record of the seizure in Washington. He stated this indicated that the case was still in the initial stages of investigation or that a formal petition had not been received. In any event he directed us to inquire in Miami. He was given your name and told that you would be in contact with them in Miami for this purpose. Their man is Mr. Joseph Fortier, Supervisory Customs Agent, Room 354, Post Office Building, Miami.

4. (U) For your information the Seizure Number is M-1209 for the material and M-1210 for the boat. A written petition (in correct form?) was sent Mr. W.M. Cline, Acting Deputy Collector in Charge in Miami on 16 November 1962. The boat owner is Raimundo Molina Gonzalez, who has retained the services of Richard R. Booth, of the firm of Walters, Moore & Constanzo, Attorneys, Suite 1008 Ainsley Building, 14 Northeast First Avenue, Miami 32. These cases are also numbered CC 3325 and CC3326 respectively. A reply to the lawyer concerning the petitions was sent on 29 Nov 62 from A.B. Angle, Collector of Customs, Tampa, indicating that as soon as a decision was reached, they would notify him.

5. (C) Would appreciate your looking into the matter for us to find out if there are any untoward circumstances prejudicing the case and what, if any their policy is. Do not, of course, wish to give impression we are interfering. This too, may be an opportunity to establish liaison channels for your own purposes (Mr. Johnson understood we were ACSI reps).

W.C. ARMS  
Capt LA Desk

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