

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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*1/16/72*

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 105-292)

DATE: 1/13/72

*CPA/PA*

SAC, SAN JUAN (100-4785) (P)

SUBJECT: JUAN MARI BRAS  
SM - PRN  
(OO: SAN JUAN)

CATEGORY APPROVED  
1 cc to San Juan  
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*See 2-15-78*

Re: San Juan letter to Bureau, 9/8/71.

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2 - San Juan  
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RESEARCH SECTION  
STAT. DIV. SEC 1

Categoría I  
(Clasificación SMZ  
al crearse PSB en  
1971.)

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SUCCINCT SUMMARY

"Claridad" Number 334, dated 11/28/71, reflected that the subject was elected Secretary General of the Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (Puerto Rican Socialist Party)(PSP) formerly the Movimiento Pro-Independencia de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rican Independence Movement)(MPIPR) at its 8th National Assembly. The subject was also elected to the PSP Political Commission and Central Committee. The subject is also listed on the masthead of "Claridad" as Director.

In view of the above, the subject is considered a National Officer and it is recommended that he be placed in Category I of the ADEX.

Next report or LHM will be submitted in January, 1972.

FBI

Date: 1/10/72

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Via AIR-TEL \_\_\_\_\_

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: LEGAT, BUENOS AIRES

SUBJECT: JUAN MARI BRAS  
 IS - PRN  
 (OO: SJ)  
 (Buefile 100-126) (P)

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MARI stated in an interview with "GRANMA," the official Cuban Government newspaper, that "Cuba is the Puerto Rican peoples' main ally in their struggle for liberation and independence." Additionally, the dispatch reported MARI claimed the MPIPR would participate in 1972 Puerto Rican elections, provided other pro-independence groups formed a united front. However, MARI underlined that Puerto Rican elections could never be considered as a means of gaining power, but that participation would help deepen the

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- (1 - San Juan 100- (JUAN MARI BRAS)
- (1 - San Juan 105- **[REDACTED]**)
- (1 - San Juan 65-419 **[REDACTED]**)
- (1 - San Juan 65- **[REDACTED]**)
- (1 - San Juan 105-3401 (MPIPR)

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5 - Buenos Aires (100-126; MARI BRAS) 105-1041 **[REDACTED]**  
 (65-39 **[REDACTED]**; 65-40 **[REDACTED]**, 105-1042 (MPIPR)

Special Agent in Charge

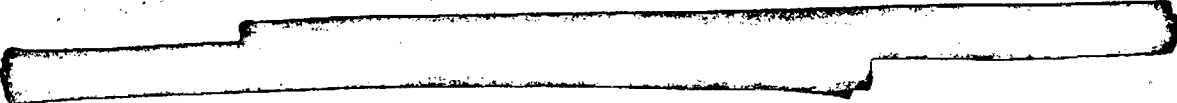
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struggle (for independence) by forging unity. MARI added that a most important decision was made in November, 1971, to transform the MPIPR into the Puerto Rican Socialist Party.

MARI advised he had been entrusted by the MPIPR Central Committee to travel as Secretary General, accompanied by MPIPR President, JULIO VIVES VAZQUEZ, with the mission of visiting various "friendly" countries to exchange experiences.



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Date: 1/31/72

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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To: Director, FBI ATTENTION:

From: SAC, SAN JUAN (174-299) <sup>(c)</sup>  CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION  
GENERAL INVEST. DIV.

Subject: UNSUB; EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, VELASCO STORE,  
SAN JOSE SHOPPING CENTER  
RIO PIEDRAS, PUERTO RICO  
1/27/72  DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

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- PA  PE  PF  E
- EID  Bomb Threats  Racial Matters
- Klan  Organization

Reference San Juan teletype to Bureau 1/27/72.  
Summary of Complaint:

An explosion at 4:30 a.m. at captioned location caused approximately \$500 damages; no injuries.

Inquiries in this matter were made by SA [redacted]

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1-SS 2-4-72  
1-EID RJD-RK

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ACTION: UACB:

- No further action being taken and
- LHM enclosed  Copy furnished to USA
- FD-376 (enclosure to LHM)
- LHM being submitted
- Report being submitted
- Preliminary investigation instituted
- Limited investigation instituted

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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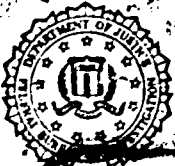
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Juan, Puerto Rico

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

January 31, 1972

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; EXPLOSIVE DEVICE,  
VELASCO STORE, SAN JOSE SHOPPING CENTER  
RIO PIEDRAS, PUERTO RICO, JANUARY 27, 1972

On January 27, 1972, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], San Juan, Puerto Rico, advised that on that date at approximately 4:00 a.m., a pipe bomb exploded at the Velasco Department Store, San Jose Shopping Center, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, causing damages estimated at \$500. There were no reported injuries. CIC, POPR had recovered remnants of the explosive device, and same were undergoing examination by the POPR Laboratory.

An article appearing in the January 28, 1972, issue of "El Imparcial," a Spanish language daily newspaper published in San Juan, Puerto Rico, reported that at 4:10 a.m. on January 27, 1972, captioned store, owned by relatives of Juan Mari Bras, Director of the Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) (PSP), was bombed by occupants of a Toyota automobile which had been observed in the area of the store at approximately 12:30 a.m. that same morning.

The PSP is self-described in its constitution as the revolutionary vanguard of the Puerto Rican people which will gather the active elements of the labor class and train them ideologically and practically according to

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VELASCO STORE, SAN JOSE SHOPPING CENTER,  
RIO PIEDRAS, PUERTO RICO, JANUARY 27, 1972

the principles of Marxism-Leninism in order to guide the Puerto Rican people in the struggle for their independence and to initiate the democratic republic of laborers which will be the initial phase in the construction of socialism in Puerto Rico.

Concerning a separate incident but in the same newspaper article, the "El Imparcial" reported that a Toyota automobile stopped in front of the Narcisco Rabell liquor store, Lomas Verdes Avenus, Bayamon, Puerto Rico, and placed two pipe bombs in front of the store. The one pipe bomb which exploded shattered windows of that store as well as those nearby. This incident also occurred on January 27, 1972.

On January 31, 1972, [REDACTED] advised that investigation under his command had developed no leads in this matter.





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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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February 11, 1972

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The Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (PSP - Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) is self-described in its constitution as the revolutionary vanguard of the Puerto Rican people which will gather the active elements of the labor class and train them ideologically and practically according to the principles of Marxism-Leninism in order to guide the Puerto Rican people in the struggle for their independence, and to initiate the democratic republic of laborers which will be the initial phase in the construction of socialism in Puerto Rico.

The PSP changed its name from the Movimiento Pro Independencia de Puerto Rico (MPIPR - Puerto Rican Independence Movement) in November, 1971.

Among the publicly-known leaders of the PSP are JUAN MARI BRAS, Secretary-General, and JULIO VIVES VASQUEZ, President of the Secretariat of the PSP.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68323)

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (65-419) (P)

DATE: 2/11/72

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

(OO: SAN JUAN)

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Reference San Juan letter to Bureau dated 11/8/71, Bureau letter to San Juan dated 11/19/71, San Juan letter to Bureau dated 12/1/71 and [REDACTED]

The following information has been received in this matter since the date of last San Juan letter:

On 2/7/72 [REDACTED] determined that the subject and his family continue to reside at Calle Montgomery #301, Urbanization San Gerardo, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, and the subject was re-elected secretary general of the Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) (PSP) at the 8th National Assembly on November 28, 1971. He continues to be director of "Claridad," the official PSP newspaper.

- ④ - Bureau (65-68323) (RM)  
(1 - 105-292) (JUAN MARI BRAS)
- [REDACTED]
- 1 - Miami (Info) (RM) [REDACTED]
- 3 - New York (Info) (RM) [REDACTED]
- (1 - [REDACTED])
- [REDACTED]
- (1 - 105-3002) (JUAN MARI BRAS)
- 5 - San Juan  
(1 - 105-3733)
- (1 - 100-4785) (JUAN MARI BRAS)
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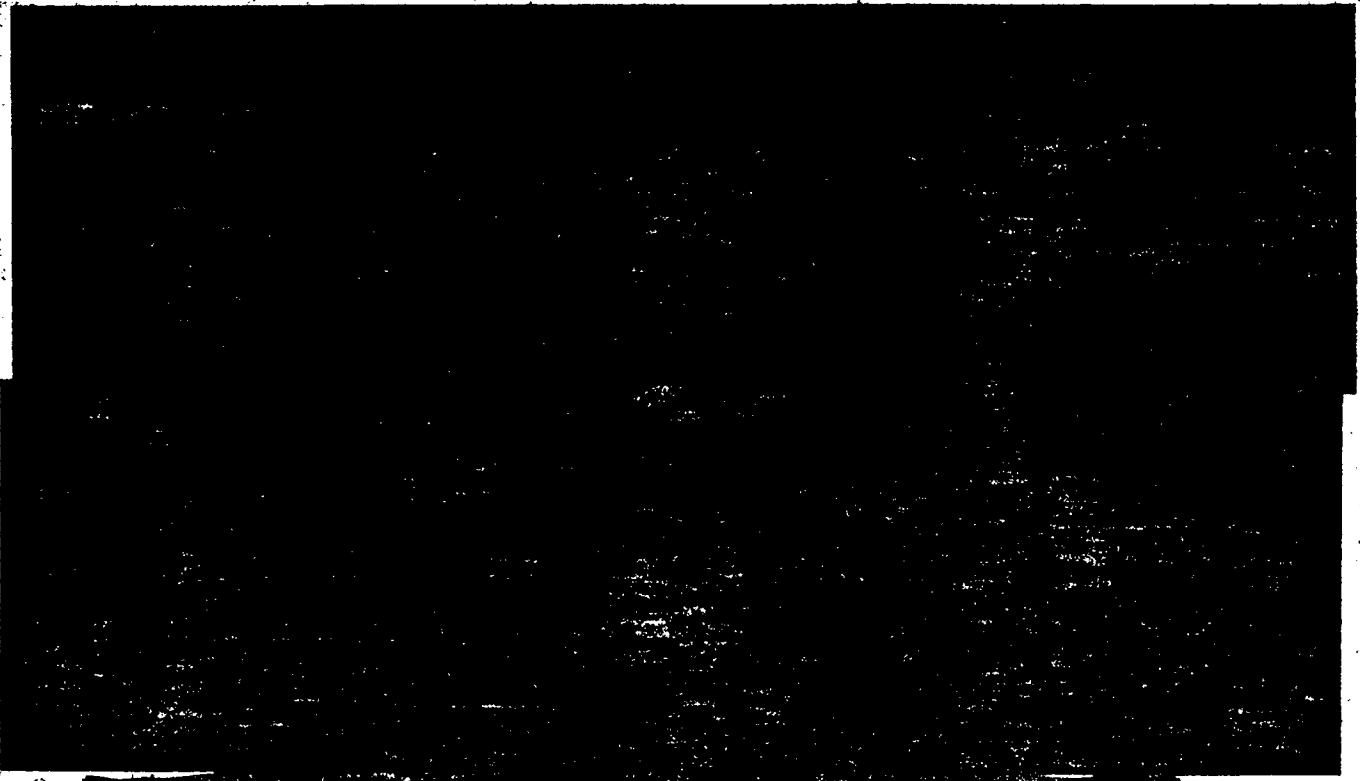
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In this press interview, MARI BRAS said that China would lead the coalition of communist and Third World countries who would insist on the independence of Puerto Rico, and that a resolution to this effect would be introduced on 2/8/72, by Cuba before the United Nations Colonialism Committee to have the General Assembly consider this case. He was further quoted as stating that the basic purpose for taking the trip was "to impress upon the Socialist nations the need to raise the priority they have given to Puerto Rico's battle for independence." MARI BRAS also claimed that he met with top communist officials in all the countries he visited but declined to name those individuals. In the news article he further claimed he had spent two weeks in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey gauging the strength of state-side PSP organizations.



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Copy to: 1 - Naval Investigative Service, Office, 10th Naval District,  
San Juan, (By hand)  
1 - 771st Military Intelligence Detachment, San Juan (By hand)  
1 - United States, Secret Service, San Juan (By hand)  
1 - Office of Special Investigations, Ramey Air Force Base (RM)

Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: San Juan

Date: APR 4 1972

Field Office File #: 100-4785

Bureau File #: 105-292

Title: JUAN MARI BRAS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY-PUERTO RICAN NATIONALIST  
[REDACTED]

Synopsis: Subject, who resides at Calle Montgomery #301, URB. San Gerardo, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, and is employed as Director of "Claridad" and Secretary General of the PSP.  
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DETAILS:I. RESIDENCE

JUAN MARI BRAS resides at Calle Montgomery 301, Urbanization San Gerardo, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

Special Agent of the  
Federal Bureau of  
Investigation (SA, FBI),  
March 20, 1972

## II. EMPLOYMENT

MARI BRAS was elected Secretary-General of the Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (Puerto Rican Socialist Party) (PSP), at the Eighth National Assembly of the PSP during the weekend of November 19, through the 21, 1971.

SJ T-1 on November 26, 1971

The PSP was founded on November 21, 1971, at the Eighth Annual Convention of the Movimiento pro Independencia de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rican Independence Movement) (MPIPR) which by vote of the membership changed its name to the PSP. The PSP is a Marxist-Leninist organization seeking complete independence for Puerto Rico. The PSP newspaper has claimed the right to use revolutionary violence. The PSP supports the forces of the Castro Cuban Revolution and maintains a permanent representative in Havana, Cuba.

MARI BRAS is currently the Director of "Claridad," the self-described official newspaper of the PSP.

"Claridad" number 353  
dated March 19, 1972.

## III. HEALTH

There are rumors among the pro-independence groups concerning the possibility of the retirement of MARI from active politics. The reason given is a heart condition which, since the death of his mother, has been increasing to such an extent that, according to another friend of MARI, his pockets look like a "drugstore warehouse" when he goes out. MARI

Desafío a la  
Marina Cubana

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carries all kinds of medicine, such as "Nitrospan," a delayed action nitroglycerin capsule supposed to relieve sudden chest pains which he often suffers.

SJ T-2 on July 14, 1971

[REDACTED] July 23, 1971


IV. AFFILIATION WITH GROUPS ADVOCATING INDEPENDENCE FOR PUERTO RICO

A. [REDACTED]

On February 25, 1971, a boat under the direction of MARI BRAS entered waters belonging to the United States Navy firing range in Culebra, Puerto Rico, and willfully interrupted the Navy firing practice. Attempts were made to warn this boat to leave the area, but were ignored.

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Naval Investigative Service  
Office, 10th Naval District,  
(NISO), San Juan, Puerto Rico  
on February 26, 1971

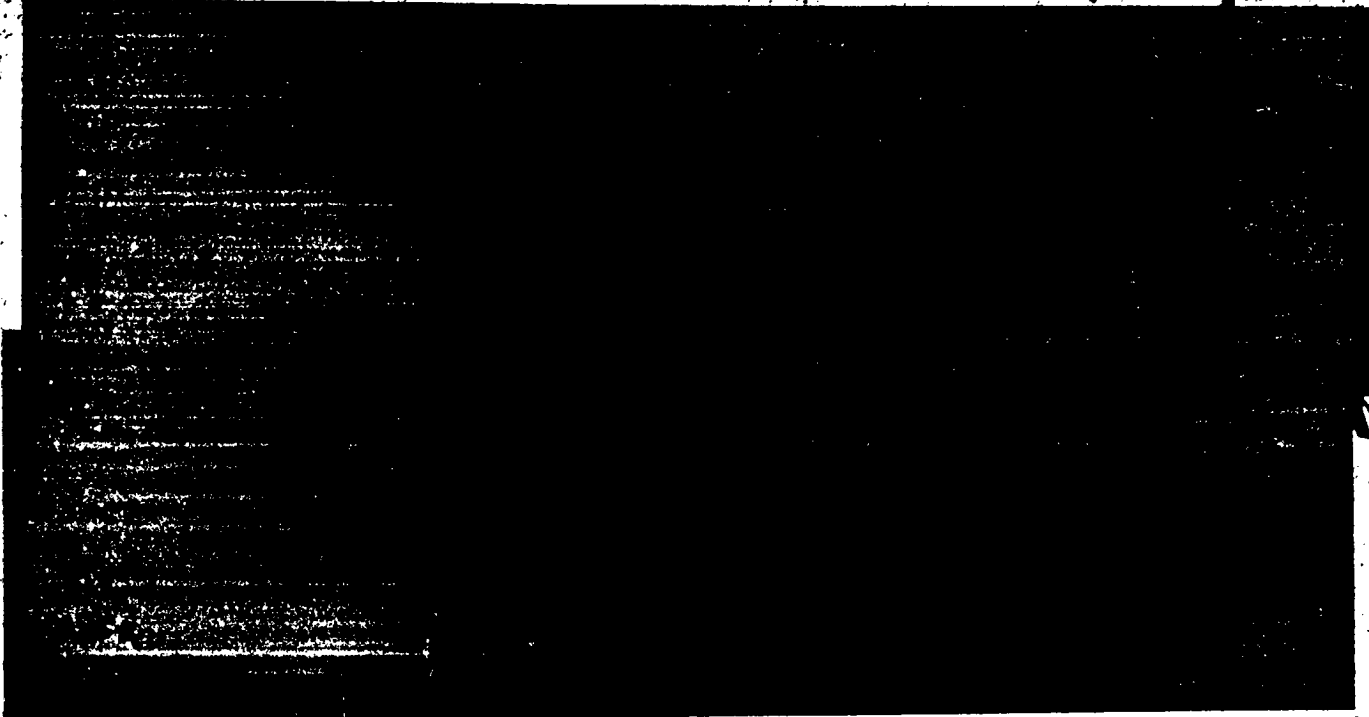
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The PIP is a legally constituted political party founded in 1948. In the three most recent general elections, it has failed to poll sufficient votes to remain on the ballot but has regained status by petition or legislative act. In 1970, the PIP pledged itself to a more radical political posture and advocated more active participation in protests, marches, pickets and boycotts.



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On November 28, 1971, MARI BRAS was elected to the Central Committee of the PSP at the Eighth National Assembly held in Bayamon, Puerto Rico.

SJ T-1 on November 29, 1971

At the Eighth National Assembly of the PSP, MARI was elected to the Central Committee and Secretary General of the Party.

SJ T-1 on November 26, 1971

SJ T-6 on December 6, 1971

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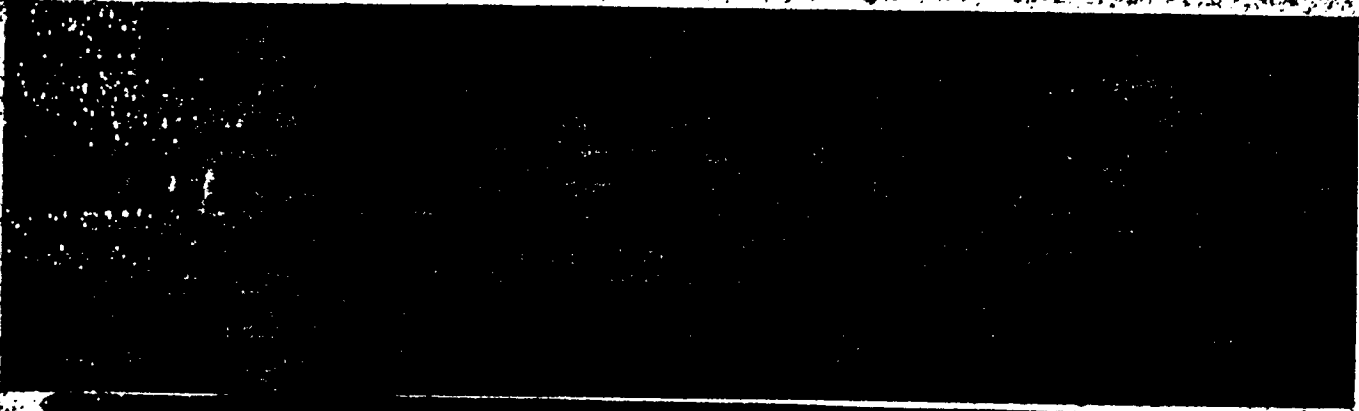
At a speech given at the Inter-American University on November 2, 1971, MARI stated that if a coalition was not agreed upon with the PIP, the MPIPR won't advise its membership to vote in favor of the PIP candidates. He did state that, if a coalition is made, the MPIPR would allow the PIP candidates to run for all the government posts. He finally stated that the MPIPR is a Marxist movement.

SJ T-11 on November 10, 1971

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D. Comandos Armados de Liberacion (Armed  
Commandos of Liberation) (CAL)

The existence of CAL became known in February, 1968, when Associated Press of Puerto Rico received a communication signed by the organization in which it declared its intent to force the "Yankee Invader" to abandon Puerto Rico. At that time and in subsequent communications to the press CAL has claimed credit for bombings and attacks on a variety of North American establishments. It is a completely clandestine group with leadership-membership unknown.




E. National Peace Action Coalition (NPAC)

The National Peace Action Coalition was founded in 1970 by members of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). Its basic objective is to unite masses of people including labor unions, GIs, and the black community in the struggle to end United States intervention in Southeast Asia through orderly and peaceful tactics. The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The October 20, 1971 edition of "Claridad" contained an article indicating that MARI had been invited to speak at the protest against the North American involvement in Vietnam which will take place on November 6, 1971 in Central Park, New York, New York. The event is sponsored by the National Peace Action Coalition.

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The May 10, 1971 issue of "El Mundo," a Spanish language newspaper published daily in San Juan, Puerto Rico, contained a United Press International press release indicating that the United Nations was circulating among its members a request by the MPIPR that countries friendly to its struggle for independence furnish "practical assistance" and "militant solidarity" to assist it. The document, signed by JUAN MARI BRAS, stated that "in the last weeks, the colonial police, under the command of a retired United States Army Colonel, has savagely attacked hundreds of patriots, including newspapermen and attorneys who went to the police headquarters to assist the detained political prisoners." He also stated that the Central Intelligence Agency and Marine Corps Intelligence had organized and are maintaining "terrorist bands" to "burn and destroy the property of proponents of independence and to try to assassinate the leaders of Puerto Rican patriotic organizations." This document, according to the article, was circulated as an official document of the United Nations at the request of Cuba.




SJ T-20 on July 22, 1971

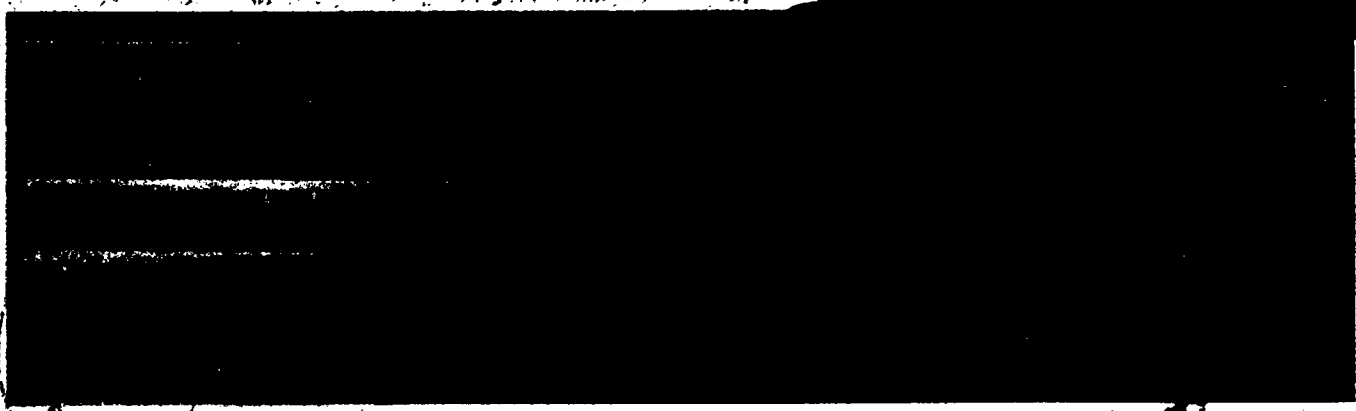



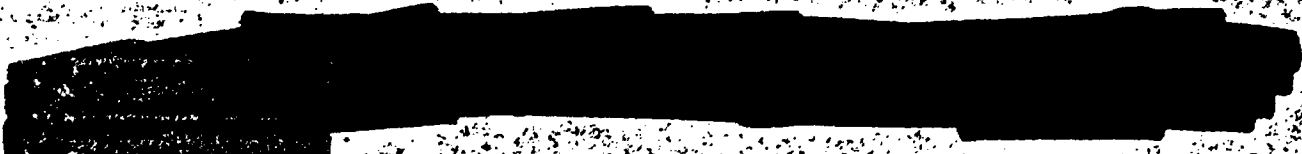
"Claridad," in its August 1, 1971 edition, contained an article in which it stated that MARI addressed a press conference at the United Nations, on July 23, 1971, where he announced that the MPIPR had solicited the Cuban government to request that the matter of the Puerto Rican colonial status be included in the agenda of its next General Assembly. The article stated that Cuban Ambassador to the United Nations, RICARDO ALARCON QUESADA, also made known at the same press conference that his delegation would make the formal solicitude

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requested by the MPIP to U. THANT. The article went on to state that it was the first time that a representative of a liberation movement spoke to the press under official patronage without the country's case being on the agenda of any of the United Nations' organizations. It further noted that this was the first time that Cuba convoked a press conference in the United Nations.



SJ T-19 on August 31, 1971



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The February 14, 1971 edition of "El Diario - La Prensa," contained an article stating that MARI traveled to Leavenworth, Kansas, to protest the solitary confinement of four Puerto Rican Nationals who are serving life sentences for their part in the 1954 shooting in the Congress of the United States and the abortive attempt on the life of former President TRUMAN in 1950.

[REDACTED]

J T-1 on December 15, 1972

[REDACTED]

SJ T-19 on January 3, 1972

The PSP delegation arrived in Cuba on December 27, 1971, to ratify "our militant solidarity with the revolution (of Cuba) and thus comply with one of the agreements reached at the Assembly (of the PSP)," according to Prensa Latina on January 28, 1971.

SJ T-21 on January 29, 1971

The January 23, 1972 issue of "Claridad" contained an article stating that MARI, JULIO VIVES VAZQUEZ, President of the PSP, and ALBERTO PEREZ PEREZ, Central Committee member and PSP delegate to Cuba left Chile for Peking, China on January 13, 1972. The article advised that the delegation of the PSP arrived in Chile on January 8, 1972, where they held

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high level interviews with leaders of the Chilean Socialist Party, other parties of the Popular Unity and the Government of Chile.

The "San Juan Star," in its February 8, 1972 edition, contained an article regarding MARI's travel as part of the PSP delegation and his press interview upon his return to San Juan, Puerto Rico, on February 7, 1972. MARI stated that he had traveled to Chile, Cuba, China, North Korea and Russia and that the major Socialist countries and the "Third World" countries would introduce a resolution to have the United Nations consider the case of the status of Puerto Rico.

The February 13, 1972 edition of "Claridad" contained an interview with MARI regarding his trip as part of the Puerto Rican delegation to Cuba, Chile, China, North Korea, and Russia. The article also indicated that MARI, VIVES VAZQUEZ and PEREZ PEREZ were joined by MIGIUL ANGEL CABRERA FIGUEROA, whom the article described as the alternate delegate of the PSP to the Communist Party and Government of Cuba. The article also contained a photograph showing MARI, VIVES VAZQUEZ, PEREZ PEREZ and CABRERA FIGUEROA in company with Marshal KIM IL SUNG of North Korea.



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SJ T-1 on February 29, 1972

SJ T-21 on February 25, 1972

VII. STATEMENTS:

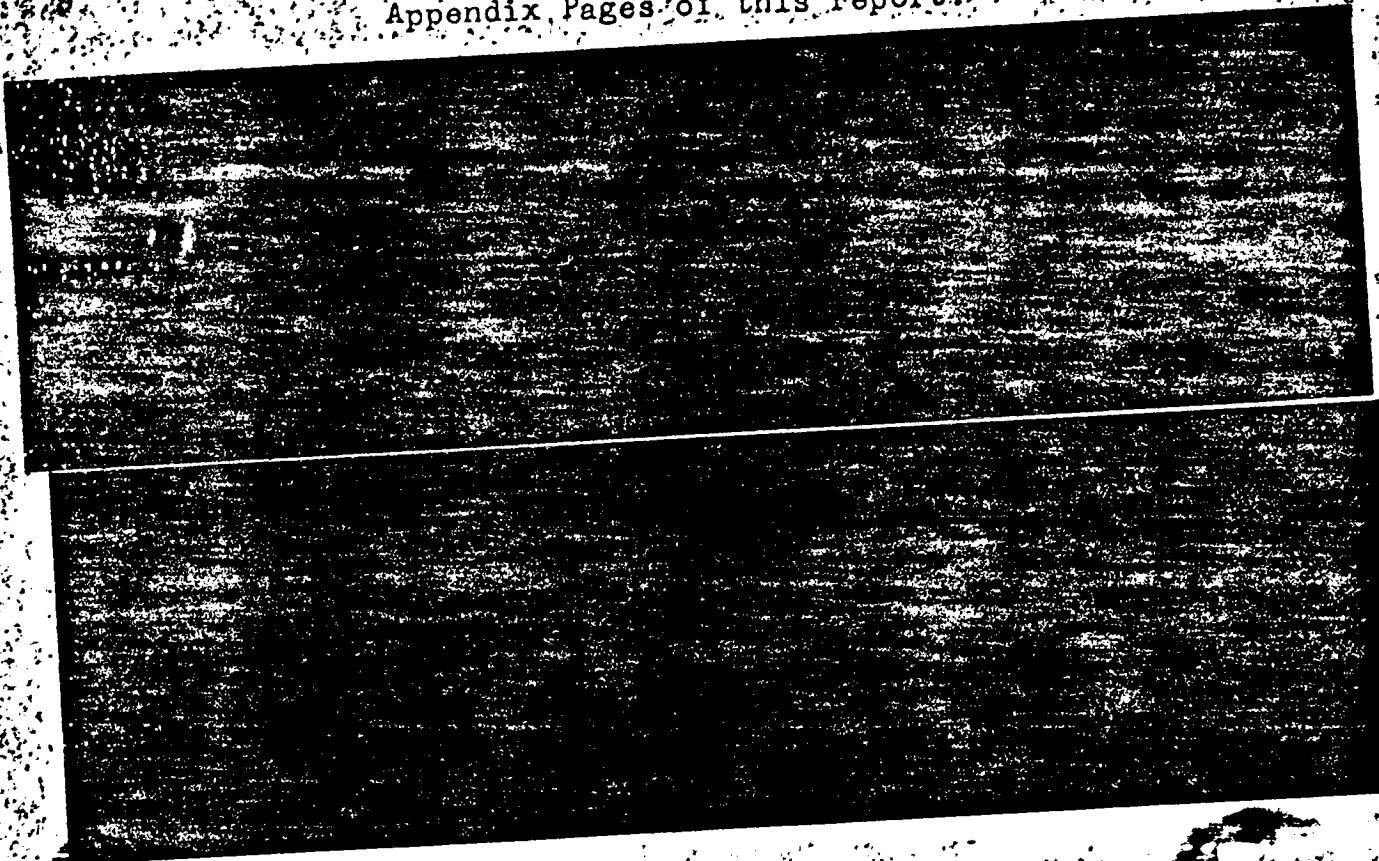
On September 26, 1971, MARI spoke at the Casa de las Americas regarding the growth of the MPIPR and its evolution into the PSP. He stated that the PSP has to fight the elections

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so they will not occur in 1972. MARI stated that he was Socialist and Communist and that, if his party won, they would have relations with all of the socialist countries of the world, but that they would not take direction or interference from anyone, whether it be Moscow, Chile, or Cuba, in matters regarding Puerto Rican politics. MARI stated that the PSP would support all of the movements which are fighting for the liberation of Puerto Rico, but would not unite. Their movement is having so large a growth and development that they could not merge with another movement.

SJ T-23 on September 30, 197

A characterization of Casa de Las Americas appears in the Appendix, Pages of this report.



APPENDIX

1.

CASA DE LAS AMERICAS

On May 20, 1966, a source advised that an organization called Casa de las Americas (CDLA) was formed in New York City, just prior to April 27, 1964, and was composed of persons who were strongly in favor of FIDEL CASTRO and the Communist form of government in Cuba. Source stated that this organization is located in a third floor left at 17 East 17th Street, New York, New York. Source described this organization as merely a new name for the old Casa Cuba Club (CCC) in New York City, which was comprised of persons belonging to the 26th of July Movement of FIDEL CASTRO. Source stated that the name had been changed to CDLA to attract other revolutionary people of South America and avoid the ostensible affiliation with the Communist country of Cuba attached to the CCC.

By way of background, the 26th of July Movement was a revolutionary organization founded and led by FIDEL CASTRO, present Prime Minister of Cuba. It was dissolved during 1962, when it was absorbed into the Integrated Revolutionary Organization in Cuba, along with the Communist Party of Cuba, and other principal parties.

Concerning the CCC, a second source advised that it was originally founded as a social club by persons of Cuban background living in the New York area. During the years when FIDEL CASTRO was struggling to overthrow the Cuban government of FULGENCIO BATISTA, the general membership of the CCC was sympathetic to the revolutionary aims of CASTRO and supported his 26th of July Movement. After CASTRO came to power in Cuba on January 1, 1959, and it became apparent that Communism was the form of government in Cuba, the membership of July Movement and loyal CASTRO supporters assumed leadership of the activities of the CCC.

The first source above advised that CDLA is also ostensibly formed as a social club, but in effect it acts as a focal point for revolutionary peoples sympathetic to the Cuban government. Although it is not directly controlled by the Cuban Mission to the United Nations (CMUN), many Cuban personnel attend its functions and at least an indirect link

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with CMUN is present. CDLA has fund-raising affairs and contributes money to the CMUN. CDLA also gives financial support to other revolutionary groups representing countries other than Cuba. Through CMUN, various propaganda materials of a Communist nature are found at CDLA. This same source also stated that many executive committee members, as well as general members of the CDLA, are members of the Spanish Section of the Communist Party, United States of America. Source feels that although there is no direct link between CDLA and the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), an indirect link does occur at CDLA in that it is used as a staging ground prior to entry into CP, USA. Further, source indicates that membership in CDLA prepares an excellent background for persons desiring to return to Cuba.

This same source stated that although there exists in Cuba a social club called Casa de las Americas supported by the Cuban government, there appears to be no connection between the two and no reason to believe that the Casa de las Americas in New York was named after the one in Cuba.



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San Juan, Puerto Rico

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Title JUAN MARI BRAS

~~Character INTERNAL SECURITY-PUERTO RICAN NATIONALIST,~~

~~Reference report dated and captioned as above at San  
Juan by Special Agent [REDACTED]~~

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities  
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (105-292)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (105-14723) (RUC)

SUBJECT: JUAN MARI BRAS  
IS - PRN  
(OO: SAN JUAN)

DATE: 5/10/72

RE: San Juan airtel, 4/13/72.  
New York teletype, 4/13/72.

On 4/17/72 [redacted] who should be in a position to have knowledge on subject's visit, advised he had no information on him.

Informant was, however, aware of a lecture series on Puerto Rico to be held at Livingston College, (LC) Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.

The 4/20/72 issue of the "Medium", the LC student newspaper, carried an article on the above series stating that JUAN MARI BRAS, Esq. spoke at a continuing lecture series on Puerto Rico on "alternatives to Colonialism: Socialism vs Capitalism in the Republic of Puerto Rico".

The lecture was given on the LC Campus on 4/13/72.

No other information re subject has come to the attention of the Newark Office.

No further inquiry being made and UACB LHM not being submitted.

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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68323)

DATE: 6/12/72

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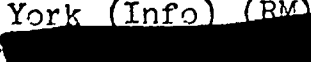
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OF THE INDEPENDENCE FORCE" (CFI). THIS NEVER ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISHED. SUBJECT'S PROPOSAL MADE TWO MONTHS AFTER HE ACCOMPANIED CLOSE FRIEND AND PSP/MPIPR SECRETARY GENERAL JUAN M A R I BRAS (201-353229), TO CHILE FOR PRESIDENT A L L E N D E'S INAUGURATION.

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# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 105-292 )

DATE: 9/1/72

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (100-4785) (P)

SUBJECT: JUAN MARI BRAS  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

September 1, 1972

SUBJECT: JUAN MARI BRAS

CHARACTER: SECURITY MATTER - PUERTO RICAN NATIONALIST

REFERENCE: Federal Bureau of Investigation report of  
Special Agent [redacted] dated  
April 4, 1972 at San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Referenced communication contained subject's residence and/or employment  
address. A recent change has been determined and is being set forth below (change  
only specified):

Residence:

Employment: Secretary General of Partido  
Socialista Puertorriqueno,  
Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

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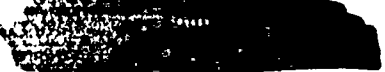
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San Juan, Puerto Rico

October 4, 1972

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JUAN MARI BRAS

The September 29, 1972, edition of the "El Imparcial," a Spanish language newspaper, published daily in San Juan, Puerto Rico, contained an article entitled "Juan Mari Bras Backs Palestine Movement." The subcaption states "Not Black September."

The article went on to state that Mari Bras, self-described Secretary General of the Partido Socialista Puertorriqueño (Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) (PSP) declined to comment the previous day whether the PSP backed the actual Arab terrorist campaign that the movement "Black September" is currently carrying out internationally. The article stated that the PSP spokesman advised that although they did not approve of the massacre which occurred in Israel, where a number of Puerto Rican participants in a Holy Land pilgrimage were killed at Tel Aviv Airport by members of this group, or the recent massacre occurring during the

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Olympic Games in Munich, Germany, Mari Bras did state that the PSP backs "the position of the Palestine movement that fights against the expansion of the Israeli Government in which continues the loss of territorial integrity of the Arab countries as well as the rights of national survival of the Palestinian people." He was quoted as saying that although he did not want to comment more about the recent terrorist activities, he would do so soon. The article went on to state that the previous evening, the Federacion de Universitarios pro Independencia (Federation of University Students for Independence) (FUPI) planned to join a picket of Palestinian residents in Puerto Rico in front of the Puerto Rico Institute of Culture, against the anniversary celebration of the State of Israel. An unnamed spokesman of the Arab Cultural Club indicated that the activity is "an ironic celebration of the triumphant victory of injustice over the violation of the unalienable rights of the Palestinian people." The article concluded with the statement that the Police of Puerto Rico were alert with respect to Arab activity, to avoid any of the recent terrorist activities that have occurred throughout the world.

The PSP was founded on November 21, 1971, at the Eighth Annual Convention of the Movimiento pro Independencia de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rican Independence Movement) (MPIPR) which by vote of the membership changed its name to the PSP. The PSP is a Marxist-Leninist organization seeking complete independence for Puerto Rico. The PSP newspaper has claimed the right to use revolutionary violence. The PSP supports the forces of the Castro Cuban Revolution

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and maintains a permanent representative in Havana, Cuba.

Black September is a self-described Arab terrorist group which has claimed credit for the armed attack on Lod Airport, Tel Aviv, Israel, wherein a number of Puerto Ricans and other nationals were killed and wounded, and the attack and assassination of the Israel athletes at the Olympic Games.

The FUPI was organized in October, 1956, at the University of Puerto Rico (UPR), Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, as a student organization working to obtain independence for Puerto Rico. It is a Marxist-oriented organization which supports the principles of the Cuban Revolution to achieve its aims. It is considered to be a PSP affiliated group on the university level.

Puerto Rico Arab Cultural Club was formed by the Arab community in Puerto Rico which is mainly social in nature, but which takes a stand on Middle East issues and has in the past sponsored demonstrations concerning these issues. The Club is located on the 65th Infantry Avenue, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.



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# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 105-292)

DATE: 11/17/72

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (100-4785) (P)

*Retention on ADEX approved 12-7-72.*

SUBJECT : JUAN MARI BRAS  
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SUCCINCT SUMMARY

Subject is one of the founders of the Movimiento Pro Independencia de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rican Independence Movement) (MPIPR), and is the full-time Secretary-General of its successor, the Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) (PSP). //

On October 20, 1972, [REDACTED] advised that the subject is currently the official spokesman and real policy-maker of the PSP. The source advised that, unlike earlier years, the subject makes policy for the PSP without the full approval of the Central Committee or the Executive Committee of the Party. //

Due to the fact that the subject continues to be the primary leader and maker of policy for the PSP, a Marxist-Leninist pro-independence organization which has advocated violent means to obtain its ends in the past, it is felt that he presents a clear danger now to the national security of the United States.

Therefore, it is my belief that the subject falls within the purview of the current ADEX requirements and, therefore, I recommend that he be retained on the ADEX of the San Juan Office.

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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (105-292)

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, SAN JUAN (100-4785 Sub III)

SUBJECT: JUAN MARI BRAS  
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Re San Juan airtel, 9/19/72, multiple captioned including subject. (u)

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JUAN MARI BRAS is the Secretary General of the PSP and maintains his headquarters in the organization's offices.

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DATE: 12/15/72

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (100-4785 Sub 3)

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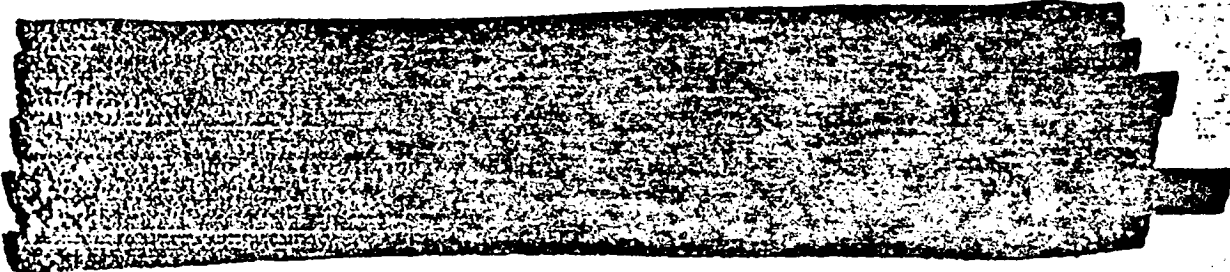
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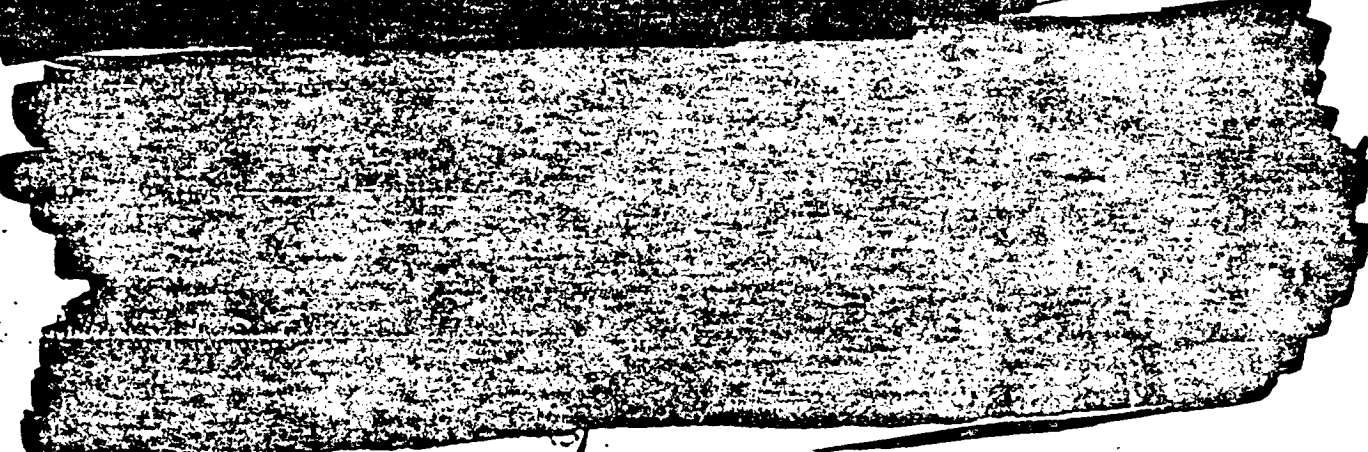
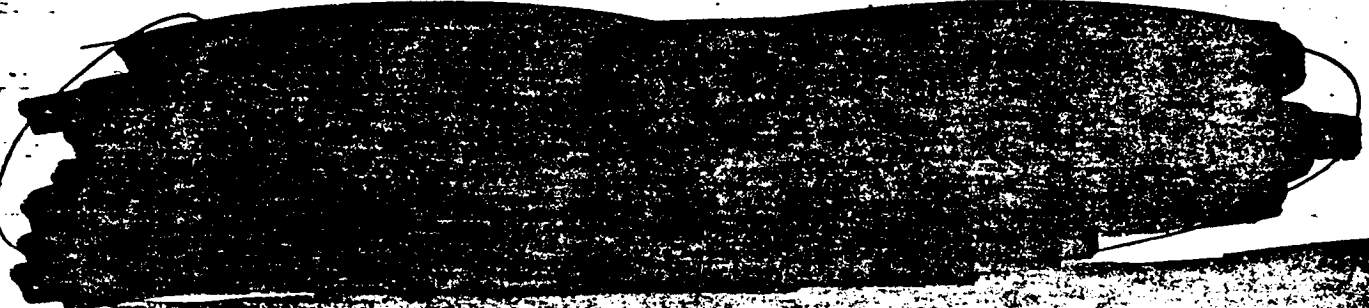
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The 11/26/68, edition of "El Mundo," a Spanish language newspaper published daily in San Juan, Puerto Rico, indicated that the subject was to be a principal speaker at the "Hemispheric Conference to End the War in Vietnam" to be held in Montreal, Canada, from 11/29 to 12/1/68. (u)



The 2/17/70, edition of the "San Juan Star," an English language newspaper published daily at San Juan, Puerto Rico, carried an article in which MARI BRAS stated that he had met with the North Vietnam delegation to the Paris Peace Talks to discuss the proposal of releasing U. S. airmen in exchange for five imprisoned Puerto Rican Nationalists. (u)



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The 11/1/70, edition of "El Imparcial," a Spanish language newspaper published daily at San Juan, Puerto Rico, indicated that the subject was scheduled to travel to Chile with other Puerto Rican independence leaders on 11/2/70, to witness the inauguration of newly elected President SALVADOR ALLENDE. (u)

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On 6/1/72, the "San Juan Star" carried an article after the attack on the passengers at Lod Airport, Tel Aviv, Israel, by armed terrorists affiliated with an Arab revolutionary group, in which subject was quoted as stating that the PSP has relations with Al Fatah, although not with the group claiming credit for the terrorist attack at Lod Airport. (u)



The 9/29/72, edition of "El Imparcial" contained an article in which the subject was quoted as declining to comment whether the PSP backed the actual Arab terrorist campaign that the "Black September" movement was currently carrying out internationally. The subject further stated that he did not approve of the massacre that had occurred in Israel at Lod Airport or the subsequent massacre of Israeli athletes at the Olympic Games; however, he was quoted as stating that the PSP backs "the position of the Palestine movement that fights against the expansion of the Israeli government which continues the loss of territorial integrity of the Arab countries as well as the right to national survival of the Palestinian people. (u)



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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 12/6/72

You were previously advised of expected participation of Juan Mari Bras, Secretary General of Socialist Party of Puerto Rico, a Marxist-Leninist organization, in proposed demonstration, Washington, D. C., 12/11/72.

Attached relates that in addition to Washington, D. C., demonstrations will also be held in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and New Haven, all in protest of incarceration of members of Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico who were responsible for armed attack on U. S. House of Representatives, 1954.

Pertinent portions of attached are being included in a summary teletype to the President, Vice President, State, Defense Intelligence Agency, Secret Service and the Attorney General by messenger. Copy of attached has been furnished to the Internal Security Division of the Department.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR,

VIA WASHINGTON D. C. TO SAN JUAN

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FROM: SPRINGFIELD (105-3862) (P)

PARTIDO SOCIALISTA PUERTORRIQUENO (SOCIALIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO) (PSP) IS DASH PRN. OO: SAN JUAN.

JUAN MARI BRAS, SECRETARY GENERAL OF PUERTO RICO SOCIALIST PARTY APPEARED US PENITENTIARY, MARION, TEN THIRTYSEVEN AM TWELVE SEVEN SEVENTYTWO AND VISITED WITH RAFAEL CANCEL MIRANDA, AN INMATE AT THAT INSTITUTION. BRAS REMAINED AT INSTITUTION UNTIL ONE THIRTY PM AT WHICH TIME HE DEPARTED FOR MARION, ILLINOIS. INVESTIGATION DETERMINED BRAS ARRIVED MARION VIA OZARK AIR LINES FROM ST. LOUIS NIGHT OF TWELVE SIX LAST ACCOMPANIED BY SONIA MARRERO, WHO GAVE HER ADDRESS AS TWO FIVE ONE EAST TWENTYNINE STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. BOTH BRAS AND MARRERO DEPARTED MARION, ILLINOIS VIA OZARK AIR LINES TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI THREE PM ELVE SEVEN SEVENTYTWO. OFFICIALS US PENITENTIARY RELATE BRAS COOPERATIVE AND CAUSED NO DISTURBANCE. HE DID STATE, HOWEVER, THAT BRAS

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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (65-68323)

DATE: 12-12-72

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (65-419) (P)

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Reference: San Juan letter to the Bureau  
9-20-72 and 10-24-72.

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A source, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised that Juan Mari Bras, Secretary General of the Partido Socialista Popular, (Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) (PSP) made an appearance in Chicago, Illinois, on December 8, 1972.

The Partido Socialista Puertorriqueno (Socialist Party of Puerto Rico) (PSP) was founded on November 21, 1971, at the Eighth Annual Convention of the Movimiento pro Independencia de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rican Independence Movement) (MPIPR), which by vote of the membership changed its name to the PSP. The PSP is a Marxist-Leninist organization seeking complete independence for Puerto Rico.



The source advised that Bras, early in the afternoon, made a one hour appearance on a Spanish language radio show in Chicago hosted by Raul Cardona, well known Chicago radio personality.

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In addition to the radio performance, Bras appeared in person at the headquarters of PSP, 2152 West North Avenue, Chicago. He spoke before a crowd of some 100 people for 45 minutes. Those attending represented a conglomeration of Puerto Rican groups including several members of the Chicago PSP.

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According to the source, Bras' appearance in Chicago as well as other larger cities was for the purpose of dramatizing the imprisonment of five Puerto Ricans currently incarcerated in Federal Prisons. Specifically, his appearance in Illinois was to visit Rafael Cancel Miranda at the United States Penitentiary, Marion, Illinois.

His personal and radio appearances were for the purpose of exhorting members of the Puerto Rican Community to personally correspond with the President to encourage him to release the following individuals when he labeled "political prisoners:"

Lolita Lebron, Irving Flores Rodriguez, Oscar Collazo, Rafael Cancel Miranda, and Andres Figueroa Cordero.

In the course of his comments, Bras claimed support as well as representation in Chile, Mexico, Cuba, Europe, and China. He claimed that PSP has contact with embassies of all revolutionary countries and claimed to have personally travelled to the People's Republic of China.

No admission was charged or funds solicited during the course of Bras' public appearance at PSP headquarters, although issues of "Claridad", the official newspaper of PSP, were offered for sale or subscription.