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LIEBENGOOD ROUTH NOTES FROM U. S. V. VECIANA, ET AL

at 1186 J. T. Pinero Avenue, Miami. Pomares is also involved with FRECA Imports in Puerto Rico. This is also a Barres enterprise.

DATE: December 1, 1976

The DEA Miami regional office cables that Veciana is the subject of INS File No. A12-490987 and that he claims to be a public accountant.

Veciana was represented by Barry L. Garber, 1040 City National Bank Building, 25 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33130 (305-377-4963).

According to the Miami Herald of July 25, 1973, Barres was Assistant Secretary of Communications under Castro and later the general manager of the Havana Health Department. He fled Cuba in 1961 for asylum in Puerto Rico. He became a United States citizen in 1970.

Veciana became implicated as the result of a drug bust of one Augustine Barres, a/k/a/ Emidigu Augustine Barres Fangul ("Gus Barres"). The bust resulted from a search warrant of 23 July 73 for Barres' attache case at the Taft Hotel in New York. The police were acting on an informant tip to an undercover agent who arranged for a buy from Barres of seven kilograms of cocaine at the Taft. The police understood that Barres was to be with a "female" courier. Barres advised DEA task force representative, Eugene W. Flynn, a detective sgt. with the NYPD, that he purchased the seven kilos from Antonio Veciana in Miami on July 21, 1973.

A cable from Ivan Wurns, the Chief Investigator of the DEA Task Force to Durkin at DEA headquarters, Washington, states that Veciana was arrested without incident on 7/24/73 and signed a "consent to search" form. Miscellaneous papers and numerous.

Barres owns a home in Puerto Rico and travels to New York every two weeks on business.

A co-defendant of Veciana's in the case was Ariel Pomares who is the President of Occidental Investment, a real estate firm owned by Barres, located