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SUBJECT: FURTHER INFORMATION ON ZELMAR MICHELINI AND  
LUIS HECTOR GUTIERREZ  
REF: MONTEVIDEO 2136

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY [REDACTED] SUPPLEMENTING THAT PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTED IN REFTEL.
2. IN 1970, LUIS HECTOR GUTIERREZ RUIZ WAS ONE OF THREE DIRECTORS OF THE PRO-CUBAN, EXTREME LEFT NEWSPAPER "EL DEBATE." GUTIERREZ REPORTEDLY SUPPLIED THE MLN-TUPAMAROS WITH INFORMATION USED IN KIDNAPPING U.S. DIPLOMATS IN MONTEVIDEO IN 1970. IN APRIL 1972, GUTIERREZ WAS REPORTEDLY KIDNAPPED HIMSELF BY THE MLN IN ORDER TO INTERVIEW NELSON BARDEGIO, A POLICE OFFICER KIDNAPPED BY THE MLN IN FEBRUARY 1972 AND ALLEGED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE "DEATH SQUADRON." GUTIERREZ WAS RELEASED BY THE MLN ON APRIL 25, 1972.
3. THE FOLLOWING [REDACTED] DISSEMINATIONS INCLUDE REFERENCES TO GUTIERREZ' ACTIVITIES: [REDACTED]

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3. ZELMAR MICHELINI'S [REDACTED] DATED JULY 1967 IS AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT. THERE IS NOT MUCH FURTHER TO ADD [REDACTED] HE WAS ACCUSED BUT NEVER FORMALLY CITED FOR HIS OPEN SUPPORT OF THE MLN IN 1970. HE FLED INTO SELF-IMPOSED EXILE TO BUENOS AIRES IN 1973 AND NO ORDER OF DETENTION AGAINST HIM AS EVER ISSUED BY THE GOV. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] MICHELINI WAS CONSIDERED BY ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES TO BE WORKING WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY COORDINATING JUNTA (CJR) IN ARGENTINA IN ORCHESTRATING THE PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN AGAINST URUGUAY. THE CJR IS THE COORDINATING UP FOR THE TERRORIST/SUBVERSIVE GROUPS OF CHILE, ARGENTINA, URUGUAY AND BOLIVIA. SIRACUSA

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