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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

1. REPORTING OFFICER Sandelio Gonzalez San Jose, Costa Rica	2. CROSS FILE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STF-78-0006 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	3. RELATED FILES	2. FILE NO. GFTF-84-4004	4. G-DEP IDENTIFIER DAS-CD
			B. FILE TITLE MENESES-Canterero, Norwin	
C. DATE PREPARED February 6, 1984				

OTHER OFFICERS:

REPORT RE: FILE OPENING REPORT - DEBRIEFING OF STF-78-0006 (CI)

RELATED INFORMATION

Reference is made to DEA-6 dated 12-29-76, by S/A Ronald J. Kimball, San Jose, Costa Rica, under file # GFR3-76-4007. The report by S/A Kimball identified Norwin MENESES-Canterero as a cocaine source of supply in Managua, Nicaragua, and also as the brother of Edmundo MENESES-Canterero, the then Commander of the Managua Police.

On 02-01-84, the CI was debriefed by S/A Gonzalez at the CRCO. The CI related that Norwin MENESES-Canterero, Edmundo's younger brother, was presently residing in San Jose, Costa Rica, and is the apparent head of a criminal organization responsible for smuggling kilogram quantities of cocaine to the United States.

The CI further related that NORWIN recently purchased a vacant lot in San Jose for \$4 million (approx. \$93,000) and is part-owner of the EL POLLO LOCO RESTAURANT located near the U.S. Embassy. The CI also alleged that NORWIN receives political protection from Jose MARTI FIGUERES, the son of former Costa Rican President Jose "Pepe" FIGUERES.

According to the CI, sometime in November, 1983, a male courier, not identified, working for NORWIN, smuggled 3 kilograms of cocaine into Costa Rica from Colombia for later distribution in the United States. The CI stated that NORWIN owns a private aircraft which he uses to transport cocaine, and that in late October, 1983, this aircraft was used to bring an unknown quantity of cocaine to Guanacaste province in Costa Rica.

DISTRIBUTION: REGION DISTRICT OTHER HQS - OC, OCI, ARI	13. SIGNATURE (Agent) <i>Sandelio Gonzalez</i> Sandelio Gonzalez	13. DATE 2/13/84
	14. APPROVED (Supervisor) <i>Donald N. Clements</i> Donald N. Clements, Country Attache	15. DATE 2/13/84

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NON-DRUG RELATED INFORMATION

1. The CI related that he has knowledge of persons involved in the smuggling of weapons from Costa Rica to leftist guerrillas in El Salvador. The CI stated that during December 1983, two large containers full of miscellaneous firearms were driven from Costa Rica to El Salvador, and that an additional container would be delivered on February 8, 1984.
2. The CI stated that a subject identified as Edmundo CHAMORRO knows the whereabouts of the third container, and would cooperate if approached by the authorities. The CI stated that CHAMORRO is well known to "The Company".
3. The above information was passed to PARS direct on 02-01-84 by C/A Clements.

INDEXING SECTION

1. Norwin MENESES-Canterero - NADDIS UNK. NFI.
2. Jose Marti FIGUERES - NADDIS UNK. NFI.
3. Edmundo CHAMORRO - NADDIS UNK. NFI.

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