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DUPLICATE

Sgt. George Havens  
Organized Crime Bureau

DATE 26 October 1972

SUBJECT Jose L. Canto

FROM C. A. Schorr *S*  
Polygraph Examiner

On this date, a polygraph examination was administered to

Jose L. Canto

## RESULTS:

- Truthful  
 Deception  
 Inconclusive  
 Incomplete

(That block marked with an "X" applies)

CONCLUSION: Based upon the test results, it is my opinion that Mr. Canto is telling the truth concerning the following propositions:

1. That he received a phone call from Ramon Donestevez on 1 September asking him to come to his boat factory in Perrine.
2. That he was ordered to give money to Ramon Donestevez and Emillo Navarro.
3. That he did not make up this robbery to cover up money he lawfully owed to Ramon Donestevez.
4. That he does not owe Ramon Ronestevez \$800.00.
5. That he gave the money in the envelope to Donestevez.
6. That he did not conspire with Donestevez to defraud the insurance company.
7. That he has never lied about the boat theft, the robbery or the money he gave Donestevez.

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On September 5, 1972, JOSE L. CANTO, 4311 S.W. 2nd Terrace, Miami, a Cuban exile, who operates the School Bus Rental Service at 1626 West Flagler Street, Miami, voluntarily came to the Miami Office of the FBI and reported the following information.

In March, 1972, CANTO purchased a 25 foot "Piranha" from DONESTEVEZ and arranged the financing through an insurance company. Fifteen days later this boat was stolen from a filling station where CANTO had secured the boat with a lock and chain. He paid \$12,500 for the boat. He suspects that DONESTEVEZ was responsible for the theft but had no specific evidence. He reported the theft to the Miami Police Department.

On Friday, September 1, 1972, CANTO received a telephone call from DONESTEVEZ who stated that he wanted to talk to CANTO, and he requested CANTO to come to DONESTEVEZ's factory in Perrine. On the same evening, at approximately 9 p.m., CANTO arrived at the boat factory. Upon entering the office, two men drew pistols and pointed them at CANTO's head. CANTO did not know their names, but he has identified from photographs these two men as EMILIO NAVARRO CESPEDES, also known as LEON, and ALFREDO RUIZ MALDONADO. A moment later DONESTEVEZ entered the office, carrying an AR 15 rifle, a fully automatic weapon, and also armed with a revolver in his pocket.

DONESTEVEZ ordered CANTO to sit down, stating "We want to talk to you about a trip you are going to help us take to Cuba. You cannot deny this help because everyone is assisting us." DONESTEVEZ then added that if CANTO did not give this help, CANTO would not leave the factory alive. CANTO then told DONESTEVEZ that he had no money and that as he lived alone, he had no one who could bring him any money.

NAVARRO then stated "You will have to leave with us everything you possess in order to guarantee us that you will bring us \$800."

CANTO then surrendered his gold Omega Seamaster watch valued at \$200; a gold name plate bearing the initials "JLC", inscribed on the other side was "Chick 3/30/30" which was on a chain; one diamond ring containing three diamonds worth \$150. DONESTEVEZ and his companions then searched CANTO's automobile and took from it a .38 caliber Rossi revolver manufactured in Brazil which CANTO had purchased about fifteen

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days previous and had not yet registered. They also took the papers relating to the sale of this weapon.

DONESTEVEZ then said that if CANTO did not return within two weeks with the \$800 that they would kill him.

At one point during this incident, NAVARRO threatened to beat CANTO with a pistol if CANTO did not remove his watch from his wrist.

DONESTEVEZ explained to CANTO that he and his two companions were friends of FIDEL CASTRO and that they would use this money in going to Cuba to contact CASTRO and influence him to leave Cuba in order to benefit the people of Cuba. CANTO doubted the sincerity of this announcement by DONESTEVEZ.

CANTO said that DONESTEVEZ was dressed in a similar manner to the uniform worn by FIDEL CASTRO; that is, he wore combat boots, an olive green combat type uniform, a cap similar to CASTRO's, carried a rifle, and also had a 9 millimeter pistol in a side holster. DONESTEVEZ's two companions also wore combat boots and olive green trousers.

At another point during this incident, RUIZ stated that if CANTO did not pay up they would do the same thing to him that they did to another individual whose name RUIZ mentioned but whose name CANTO could not recall.

CANTO's residence telephone: 443-6228  
Office " 642-4100  
automobile: 66 Tempest Pontiac, 2-door,  
black vinyl top, faded green body.  
73 Fla. tags 1-108409

CANTO purchased Brazilian "Rossi" 38 cal. pistol from JAMES R. MARTI, 670 West 46th Street, Apt 9, Miami Beach, telephone 534-5956, about 8/15/72. Not yet registered by CANTO with PD.