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This memorandum deals with suggestion by field that interviews be conducted with Sydney Baron, New York City public relations man, and Morris L. Ernst, New York City attorney, in an effort to develop pertinent data regarding the subjects, Washington, D. C., attorneys who allegedly have acted in the past as unregistered agents of Trujillo government. We are recommending interview of Baron after which consideration will be given to desirability of contacting Ernst.

BACKGROUND:

Rosenbaums are Washington, D. C., attorneys connected with law firm of Goodwin, Rosenbaum, MacMahon and White. During October, 1962, we initiated Registration Act investigation of them based on information furnished by Ernesto Vega Pagan, former associate of Generalissimo Trujillo. Vega advised that following disappearance of Jesus de Galindez in 1956, the subjects presented a plan to Trujillo aimed at refuting charges that Trujillo regime had been involved in Galindez matter. Plan, in part, called for hiring of Baron and Ernst to conduct investigation on behalf of Dominican Government. According to Vega, during Summer of 1957 in furtherance of this plan, he took \$1,000,000 in cash from Trujillo and turned it over to Manuel de Moya, then Dominican Ambassador to the U. S. Vega further alleged that he was accompanied on this trip by Francis Rosenbaum who had knowledge of the money being carried by Vega.

Vega has no direct knowledge that this money was subsequently used to pay Baron or Ernst. However, we know that in June, 1957, Baron and his public relations firm were retained by Dominican

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