

S *INFAMOUS* **Spies**



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ANA MONTES

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Ten days after the attacks of 9/11, the FBI arrested Ana Montes, who was spying for the Cubans from inside the Defense Intelligence Agency.

In 1984, Montes held a clerical job at the Department of Justice. She spoke openly against the U.S. government's policies towards Central America. This caught the attention of Cuban officials who recruited her as a spy.

Montes never removed documents from work. She memorized classified information and typed it up on her home laptop. She then transferred the information to encrypted disks and turned them over to her handler.

Through surveillance and covert searches, the FBI built a case against Montes. Agents wanted to identify her Cuban handler; however, following the 9/11 attacks, she was to be assigned work related to U.S. war plans. The Bureau didn't want that to happen, so she was arrested. She pled guilty in 2002 and was sentenced to 25 years.

KNOWN AS "THE QUEEN OF CUBA"