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The Ana Belen Montes Investigation

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THE ESPIONAGE INVESTIGATION OF ANA BELEN MONTES

AN FBI AGENT'S INSIDER ACCOUNT OF THE SPY WHO EVADED
DETECTION FOR 17 YEARS

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Those Spies Hide Out In Every Corner



Runaway



A View To A Kill

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- Cuban agent [REDACTED]; aka “Agent S”
- Was handled/managed by a Cuban intelligence officer with the alias “Oneido”
 - Department M-I.2 “Enemy Services”
- Received encrypted HF messages of a woman’s voice speaking Spanish beginning in 1992
- Frequencies between New England to North Carolina
- Referred to the agent as “Sergio”
- Had access to a specific CIA document
- Had access to information of relevance to Cuba
- Had issues with a laptop computer in October 1997
- Tasked to purchase a Toshiba 405CS for \$2000 from an unknown store in “Alexandria”
- Had been to Cuba (Guantanamo Bay) in a specific time period
- Used SAFE system at work
- Used a Tandy 1400 FD computer
- Used “NELEBANIOS” as a password

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You Know Their Name

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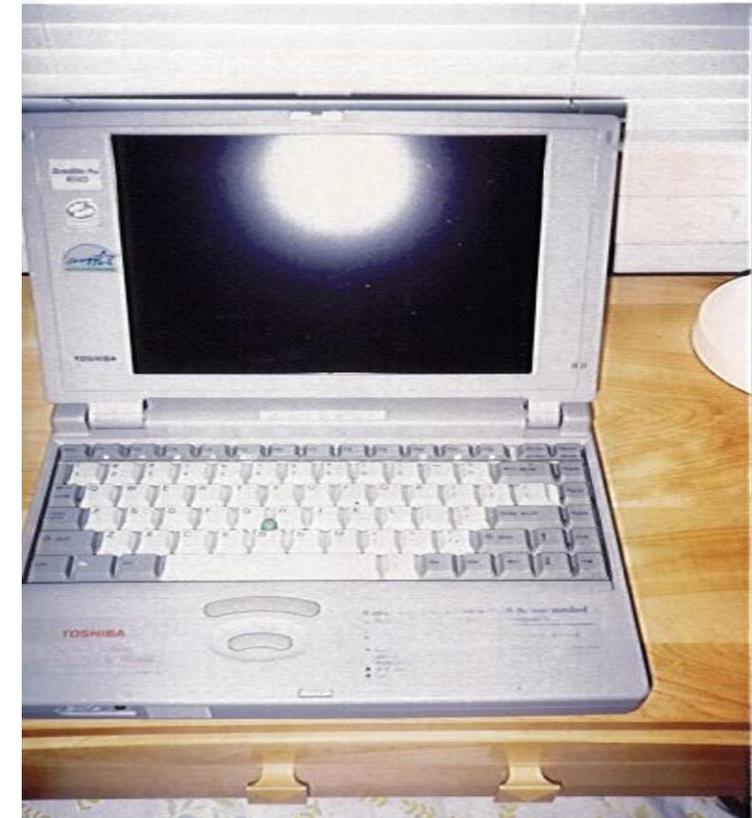
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A Pretty Face Can Hide An Evil Mind – Methodology



- Memorized the three most important things she felt the Cubans needed to know everyday
- Went home and typed report into her laptop computer and encrypted onto floppy disks
- Met in person with her Cuban illegal officer, who she referred to as her “friend” and passed classified over a long lunch



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Critical Pathway to Insider Risk*

Medical/Psychiatric

- High levels of depression, anxiety
- Counseling while in college; 1998-2000
- Insomnia, crying spells, medication for depression, panic
- Sought treatment again in 2000, but stopped in advance of potential polygraph exam for assignment to NIC

Personality/Social Skills

- Mixed personality disorder with narcissistic and obsessive-compulsive traits
- Obsessive about cleanliness (hour long showers, gloves while driving)

Previous Violations

- None known, but made statements in graduate school critical of US

* Shaw, E. D., & Sellers, L. (2015). Application of the Critical-Path Method to evaluate insider risk. *Studies in Intelligence*, 59, 1–8.



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Stressors

- Besides committing espionage?
- Dating/interpersonal relationships

Personal

- Physical and emotional abuse by father
- Parental separation around 1975 with bitter divorce, father's remarriage and divorce, father's death in 2000

Professional

- College graduation in 1975, successive jobs at DoJ, DIA; well-educated

Financial

- Outstanding graduate school fees

Concerning Behaviors

- Social isolation, arrogant and critical of others, preliminary CI investigation, protective of Cuban and LA accounts
- Leaves critical crisis meeting unexpectedly (BTTR shutdown)

Social Network Risks

- Social isolation

Problematic Organizational Responses

- Missed suspicious foreign travel, including to Cuba, using tradecraft

Crime Scripts

- 300+ meetings with Cuban FIEs, passing classified, use of shortwave radio, use of aliases for covert travel, passed routine CI poly in 1994



Their Children's Hell Will Go By Slowly



It's The Kiss Of Death





Wanted Dead Or Alive



Epilogue: Blaze Of Glory

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