

THE WEEKEND

Police Await NBI Word On Castillo

Puerto Rican police are awaiting word from the Philippine National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) before launching local investigations related to the arrest of a young Puerto Rican who reportedly said he took part in a Dallas plot to assassinate President Kennedy.

The Puerto Rican, 24-year-old Luis Castillo, was arrested last month in the Philippines. The NBI said he has stated under questioning that he entered the Philippines in February under the guise of a Filipino deported from the United States.

The interim director of the Puerto Rican Criminal Investigations Corps, Capt. Luis Maldonado Trinidad, disclosed

yesterday that the Philippine agency has not yet made any effort to contact Puerto Rican authorities about Castillo here.

He interpreted this to mean that Philippine authorities are not yet convinced of the veracity of Castillo's reported story of training in Cuba, and of having been in Dallas with instructions to shoot at "the man in an open car" during the

Kennedy motorcade.

Maldonado added that the CIC is ready to give full cooperation to any investigation. But he added that Puerto Rican officials need more information about Castillo's family and residence before they can proceed.

Castillo is a fairly common family name in Puerto Rico, he explained.

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