

# Officials Report Anti-Castro Exiles Have Plotted Many Terrorist Acts

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 19—Venezuelan and United States authorities reported today that a group of anti-Castro Cuban exiles had recently plotted a "vast" number of terrorist actions in the hemisphere, using connections with top-ranking Venezuelan Government figures to protect themselves.

They said seven Cuban exiles and seven Venezuelans were under arrest in Caracas and that 20 more Cuban exiles were being interrogated in the Venezuelan capital in connection with a bomb blast that destroyed a Cuban airliner Oct. 6.

In addition, authorities of both countries said in separate interviews that the Cuban exile group was also responsible for plotting the bomb slaying Sept. 21 of Orlando Letelier, former Foreign Minister of Chile, in Washington, D.C. Venezuelan and Cuban authorities also said that the Cuban exiles had arrested in Venezuela several Venezuelans who had formerly worked for the United States Central Intelligence Agency.

## Once Worked for Secret Police

A Venezuelan official, who declined to be identified, said today that a Cuban exile, who was formerly operations chief of the Venezuelan secret police, had been given technical training by the C.I.A.

Zeno Buergo, first secretary of the Cuban Mission to the United Nations, said today in an interview that the other exile, Hernan Ricardo, who is under arrest in Trinidad, had been trained in the 1960's by the C.I.A. in bomb-making.

Mr. Buergo, Losano, an employee of a Caracas detective agency run by Mr. Posada today told Trinidad's Assistant Police Chief, Dennis Ramdawan, that he had planted two bombs on a Cuban airliner that crashed Oct. 6 near Barbados, killing all 73 aboard, according to wire service dispatches from Port of Spain. Venezuelan authorities said a police

raid on Mr. Posada's fortified residence in eastern Caracas last week had turned up equipment and plans, including a map of Washington, D.C., related to the bomb attack on the Cuban airliner and to the slaying of Mr. Letelier.

The Venezuelan security police said the raid also turned up plans for terrorist actions by Cuban exiles in the United States, Venezuela, Trinidad, Barbados, Guyana, Panama and Colombia. The Venezuelan police subsequently arrested Mr. Posada and Orlando Bosch, 49 years old, a Cuban exile and the reputed leader of the exile group opposed to the Government of Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

## Contact With Another Exile

Caracas authorities said today in telephone interviews that the Cuban exile group had been in contact with another exile, who was arrested in Venezuela last week.

The exile, who was identified as a Cuban exile, was arrested on the docks of a Cuban ship in Miami in 1968 and subsequently served four years of a 10-year term, after which he was paroled. Mr. Bosch then became a fugitive. He was barred from Venezuela a year ago, went to Chile for three months, was barred from Costa Rica in February and then spent some time in the Dominican Republic, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Venezuelan and American authorities reported that he was met at the Caracas airport last month by Mr. Posada and Orlando Garcia, another Cuban exile who had become a naturalized Venezuelan and was a special adviser on security affairs to President Carlos Andres Perez.

Venezuelan and American officials reported that Mr. Garcia once arranged a meeting between Mr. Bosch and President Perez. They said Mr. Garcia was among the 14 arrested Friday, along with another Cuban exile who had been an officer in the Venezuelan secret police.