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Bomb Rips Office Of Cuban Exiles

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — A time bomb, blamed on "Castro terrorism," today ripped apart the office of a Cuban exile group that urged exiles to drop plans for a general strike. But the massive walkout was launched with leaders claiming they had idled 30,000 workers in 800 businesses.

The work stoppage was called to protest the U.S. detention of Felipe Rivero, one of the most aggressive anti-Castro leaders in the United States.

Arrested May 12, Rivero has been on a six-day hunger strike and faces a deportation hearing next Monday.

No one was injured in the blast at the headquarters of Cuban Exile Representation

(RECE), a group formed in 1964 after a worldwide referendum to choose an organization to speak for them.

The FBI began an investigation of the bombing, checking reports from witnesses who said they saw four men, apparently Cubans, speed away from the office building in a white car shortly before the explosion.