

Letter

Might and Right

Is it right for a big power to commit the same crime it has denounced a small power for committing? Last fall our newspapers were full of denunciations of Cuba for allegedly furnishing aid and arms to rebels in Venezuela.

Now I am appalled by the revelation that the "Junta Revolucionaria Cubana (JURE) is set to open an active guerrilla underground" in Cuba this month, and that "top Johnson Administration officials, including the Central Intelligence Agency" have promised Manuel Ray, leader of JURE "that the United States Navy and Coast Guard will not interfere with the 'infiltration' of men and supplies."

Furthermore, "still pending are two other major JURE requests: several million dollars in funds, light arms and communications equipment" and "intelligence information, particularly from U-2 reconnaissance flights."

Will the Administration actually grant such requests? Is gathering information for Manuel Ray and his JURE the real purpose for continuing the U-2 flights over Cuba in violation of international law?

How does Manuel Ray, "now a \$10,000-a-year employe of the Puerto Rican government," earn his salary? And who gave permission for training on Puerto Rican soil of a "guerrilla force of between 500 and 900" to invade Cuba?

Might does not make crime right! MARY PHILLIPS,
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