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Cuban Exiles Begin Strike Over Jailing of Castro Foe

MIAMI, May 22 (AP)—Cuban exiles, threatening a large work strike tomorrow, began their protest ahead of schedule tonight and struck a boat factory and two breweries.

The strike is a protest over the jailing of an anti-Castro leader, Felipe Rivero. Officials said that over 35,000 Cubans, working in the Miami area, would be off the job today.

The first to go out were 200 Cubans employed at a boat factory. They walked out today and said they would not return to work until Wednesday. Shortly afterward, Cubans employed at two breweries, Regal and Tres Caballos, stopped work.

Signs of "closed" began appearing on business establishments throughout Miami's "Little Havana" section.

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Dynamite Blast and March Mark Cuban Exile Protest

MIAMI, May 23 (UPI)—A dynamite blast, several bomb scares, an economic shutdown, and a downtown march marked a protest Tuesday by Cuban refugees demanding the release of a "freedom fighter."

About 2,000 Cubans massed around the Torch of Freedom monument and demanded the release of Felipe Rivero, a Bay of Pigs veteran who was jailed and faces possible deportation as a suspect in a plot to blow up Cuba's exhibition at Montreal's Expo 67.

Many Cubans stayed away from their jobs as part of today's protest and some children were kept home from school.

Several sticks of dynamite exploded early today at the headquarters of the Cuban Representation in Exile, an exile group that opposed the job walkout.