CAPTURE OF EXILES IN CUBA REPORTED

Five Men in Landing Party Said to Be From Miami

HAVANA, Dec. 16 (AP) — The Government announced to-day that it had captured five Cuban exiles who landed with arms on Cuba's north coast Dec. 2. The announcement, published in the Communist party newspaper, Granma, identified all five as residents of Miami.

The men were said to have made their landing from a small launch at El Morrillo Beach, now the port of Cabañas, 38 miles southwest of Havana, and to have split into two groups. They were seized two days later by units of the armed forces and the Interior Ministry, the announcement said.

The launch was described as "of a type used by the C.I.A. in its incursions against our country." The group was said to have been armed with six grenades, a signal pistol, three rifles, two .45-caliber pistols and a quantity of ammunition.

Granma, which published photographs of the five, identified them as Ernesto Diaz Rodrgiuez, 29 years old; Antonio Manuel Rodriguez Lorenzo, 46; Emilio Nazario Perez Sargent, 19; Felipe Sanchez Olivera, 24, and Hemenogildo Rodriguez Perez, 42.

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They will be put at "the disposition of revolutionary courts," the announcement said.

Granma said Mr. Rodriguez Lorenzo, identified as the group's leader, had formerly owned a grocery in a Havana suburb. It described Mr. Rodriguez Perez as a nephew of Fulgencio Perez, "who completed missions of infiltration under orders of the Central Intelligence Agency and was captured in October, 1965."

It said Mr. Diaz Rodriguez, Mr. Rodriguez Perez and Mr. Perez Sargent left Cuba illegally in 1961, 1964 and 1967, respectively.

Two of the group—Mr. Diaz Rodriguez and Mr. Perez Sargent—belonged to Alpha 66 and the Second Front of Escambray, two anti-Castro exile organizations, the announcement said.

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