

# CARIBBEAN TENSION UP

## Cuba and Dominican Republic Act Against Ambassadors

HAVANA, May 14 (AP)—Cuba today suddenly declared the Dominican Republic's ambassador persona non grata (unwelcome). The Dominican Government promptly took similar action against the Cuban envoy there.

The press office at President Fulgencio Batista's palace announced the move against the Dominican ambassador, Federico Llavrias, without disclosing details.

[In Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Foreign Minister Herrera Baez said his government had been forced to take the same action against the Cuban ambassador, Orlando Daumy Amaut.]

Informed official sources here said a recorded conversation between Señor Llavrias and Señor Rolando Masferrer, chairman of a Senate investigating committee, may have caused Cuba's action. In this talk, Señor Llavrias reportedly told the Senator the envoy would give him anything he wanted if he would be friendly to the Dominican Government.

Other sources emphasized that the friction did not mean a break in diplomatic relations.