Suspects in Letelier Case Transferred to New York

Two Cuban exiles wanted for questioning in connection with the murder in Washington of Orlando Letelier, a former Chilean official, have been transferred to a Federal jail in New York City.

Guillermo Novo Sampol, 38 years old, and Alvin Ross Diaz, 45, were arrested two weeks ago in Dade County, Florida. At that time it was said that the two men would be transferred to New Jersey.

Officials at the Metropolitan Correction Center in New York confirmed yesterday that the two were being held at the Federal facility. Florida officials said the two had been flown out of Miami Friday.

Whether the two men, both of whom are residents of Union City, N.J., were to be transferred to a New Jersey facility was not known. Mr. Novo is wanted in that state for a parole violation and Mr. Ross on charges of conspiring to manufacture explosives.

Authorities said that both were members of the Cuban National Movement, an anti-Castro group. Investigators believe that Mr. Letelier was killed by Cuban exiles in a conspiracy with the Chilean military junta that overthrew the Government of Salvador Allende Gossens in 1973. Mr. Letelier was foreign minister and then ambassador to the United States in the Allende government.