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CASE NO: 4-213 4-218

DATE: April 13, 1978

Continuing investigation into alleged terrorist activities in Dade County.

SYNOPSIS:

On 5 April 1978 this writer obtained information on ALVIN ROSS DIAZ, a member of the MOVIMIENTO NACIONALISTA CUBANO (MNC).

DETAILS:

On 5 April 1978 this writer observed subject ROSS arrive at 5605 N. W. 7 Street, the Toledo Plaza Apts. The subject arrived at approximately 8:30 p.m. and proceeded to unload suitcases from the trunk of his car, a 1978 Lincoln Continental with a grey Landau roof and a sun roof, bearing a temporary New Jersey tag with no number.

The subject was observed by this writer speaking to a subject who was helping him with the luggage. The subject is an unknown W/M approximately 40 years, 5'8", 165 lbs., dark skin, black hair. This writer overheard ROSS telling the subject it had taken him fourteen hours of driving. This writer could not hear the location he came from.

Subject ROSS is staying in the apartment where the second subject resides; the apartment is on the second floor of the building, and the second subject is possibly MIGUEL MEDINA, a relative of ROSS.

The New Jersey temporary tag has information on it indicating the following:

ALVIN ROSS
9390 S. W. 38 Street
Miami, Florida

There is also a stamp on the tag indicating "non-resident."

An inspection sticker (N.J.) on the vehicle indicates the number 187556.

A check with FBI S/A O. Cervantes indicates that MIGUEL A. MEDINA of 9390 S. W. 38 Street is ALVIN ROSS's stepfather.

On 13 April 1978 at 10:30 a.m. this writer observed ROSS along with possible subject MEDINA, and a third unknown W/M, depart the apartment complex. The third subject is a W/M, dark skinned, black hair thinning at the top, 5'10"-5'11", 180 lbs., 45 years.

This writer overheard the three subjects talking about an address, however all this writer could make out was southwest. Subject ROSS then entered his vehicle and followed the other two subjects who were in a vehicle being driven by possible subject MEDINA.

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The second vehicle is a 1977 4 dr. Chevrolet Nova, brown in color bearing a Florida tag #1E-77774. A check of the tag revealed it is leased from Anthony Abraham Leasing. A check with Abraham Leasing revealed this vehicle is rented to REINALDO MENENDEZ of 25 W. 50 Street, Hialeah.

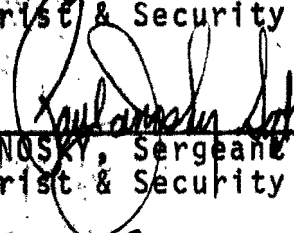
FBI S/A Cervantes has been apprised of the above information.

Investigation continues.

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CASE NO: 4-213

DATE: April 17, 1978

Investigation into the terrorist activities of GUILLERMO NOVO SAMPOL and ALVIN ROSS DIAZ.

SYNOPSIS:

On Thursday, April 13, 1978, a surveillance was conducted at 5605 N. W. 7 Street.

DETAILS:

On Thursday, April 13, 1978, this writer and Det. Benitez conducted stationary and moving surveillance on ALVIN ROSS DIAZ. DIAZ is presently residing at 5605 N. W. 7 Avenue, Apt. 214. DIAZ is presently driving a dove grey Mark V, no license plate. The vehicle was located and surveillance was initiated. Following is the sequence of events observed by these detectives.

- 8:15 p.m. Subject ALVIN ROSS DIAZ and two unidentified W/M subjects are observed walking to a bronze 4 door Chevrolet Nova bearing Florida license plate #1E-77774. All three subjects entered the vehicle and departed east on N. W. 7th Street. The vehicle was followed to N. W. 29 Avenue and 7th Street, the Hacienda Restaurant. Det. Benitez went inside the restaurant and positively identified ALVIN ROSS DIAZ.
- 9:15 p.m. All three subjects depart from the Hacienda Restaurant. They are followed to S. W. 27th Avenue and S. W. 16 Street. Subjects are observed making a series of telephone calls from the public telephones at above location. Detectives Rapado, Prieto and Gonzalez join the surveillance.
- 9:33 p.m. All three subjects get into the vehicle. Subjects begin to drive around the area of 30 Avenue and 27 Avenue between 16 and 15 Streets, apparently looking for an address. Eventually subjects drive to Coral Way (S. W. 22 Street) and 35 Avenue, the SENSATION CLUB.
- 10:10 p.m. Subjects are observed entering the SENSATION CLUB. Their vehicle was parked by the valet parking attendant.
- 11:20 p.m. Subjects are observed walking west on Coral Way in the direction where their car was parked.
- 11:25 p.m. Subjects are observed driving east on Coral Way. Surveillance dropped.
- 11:45 p.m. FBI agents advised they observed subjects in the area of 36 Avenue and N. W. 7 Street making a series of

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telephone calls. Subjects are followed by FBI agent to the original location. Subjects are observed exiting their vehicle and going up the stairway to their apartment.

1:05 a.m. Det. Rapado advised that a physical check of the parking lot of the building where subjects were residing revealed that the brown Chevrolet Nova was not at the parking lot.

Surveillance secured.

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CASE NO: ~~100~~ 3-93

DATE: April 28, 1978

Continuing investigation of ACCION SYNDICAL INDEPENDIENTE'S programmed march for Union City, New Jersey.

SYNOPSIS:

Membership meeting and demonstration against arrest of NOVO and ALVIN ROSS-DIAZ.

DETAILS:

Information was received of a pending march and meeting to be held Saturday, 29 April 1978, at 8:30 p.m. at Manhattan Center in New York City.

The person in charge is a PEDRO HERNANDEZ (NOI).

The demonstration is to denounce the jailing of GUILLERMO NOVO SAMPOL and ALVIN ROSS DIAZ on 14 April 1978.

No other information available.

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CASE NO: 4-213; 4-307

DATE: April 18, 1978

Continuing investigation into alleged terrorist activities occurring in Dade County, Florida.

SYNOPSIS:

On 18 April 1978 at 10:30 a.m., this writer was contacted by Det. J. Mulligan of NYPD, who provided information.

DETAILS:

Det. Mulligan advised that after the arrests of GUILHERMO NOVO and ALVIN ROSS DIAZ by the OCB Terrorist Unit, ROBERTO CARBALLO, president of the 2500 BRIGADE, wrote some letters to the New York City newspapers accusing the police of making up charges and attempting to discredit and persecute "Cuban freedom fighters."

Mulligan further advised that HORACIO MINGUELLON and his brother, ROLANDO MINGUELLON, members of the MOVIMIENTO NACIONALISTA CUBANO (MNC) in New Jersey, have been telephoning the New York news media and giving them the same message as CARBALLO had.

Investigation continues.

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CASE NO: 4-213

DATE: April 18, 1978

Continuing investigation into alleged terrorist activities occurring in Dade County, Florida.

SYNOPSIS:

On 17 April 1978 this writer heard SYLVIA NOVO, the wife of IGNACIO NOVO, member of MOVIMIENTO NACIONALISTA CUBANO (MNC), making a public statement to the Cuban community.

DETAILS:

SYLVIA NOVO made statements regarding the arrests of ALVIN ROSS DIAZ and GUILLERMO NOVO by the OCB Terrorist Unit.

She stated that the alleged cocaine for which ROSS was arrested is really powdered milk which ROSS had bought for himself, and that "incompetent" local police had made public statements that it was cocaine prior to even making lab analysis of the powder.

Mrs. NOVO further related that the arrest on drug charges was an attempt by law enforcement agencies to associate members of the MNC with criminal activity, therefore discrediting the patriotic work being performed by the MNC.

Investigation continues.

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Suspect Sought In Bomb Death

FBI and local police agencies are seeking a third anti-Castroite for questioning in the investigation of the 1976 bombing death of former Chilean ambassador Orlando Letelier.

William Birtwistle, a spokesman for the FBI in Newark, N.J., said agents want Virgilio Paz Romero, 26, believed to be a close associate of Guillermo Novo and Alvin Ross Diaz, who were arrested here this month.

Paz, a used car salesman, is believed to be "armed and dangerous," according to Birtwistle.

Fingerprints belonging to Paz were found on chemical bottles (of a variety capable of producing a bomb) in a room in Newark used by the three men.

Novo, held without bond, was arrested here on charges of failing to appear for a probation revocation hearing in New Jersey. The charge was placed after he allegedly traveled to South America without permission of his parole officer.

Ross was arrested on charges stemming from the January bombing of a Newark store.

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FBI's hunting for Novo pal and Ross Diaz

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HELGA SILVA and HILDA INCLAN
Miami News Reporters

The FBI today is searching for a 26-year-old associate of Alvin Ross Diaz and Guillermo Novo Sampol, the two arrested here who are wanted for questioning in the bombing murder of former Chilean diplomat Orlando Letelier.

A federal warrant charges Virgilio Paz Romero with bomb-making. His fingerprints were found in Ross Diaz' Union City, N.J., office where explosive components were seized, according to an FBI affidavit filed in U.S. District Court in Newark, N.J.

An FBI spokesman in Newark said an all-points alert is under way for Paz, believed to be "armed and dangerous." The spokesman said the search is "concentrating along the eastern seaboard, particularly in Miami."

The affidavit says two of Paz' prints were found on a bottle partly filled with an incendiary-type chemical substance. Paz was described as a Union City car salesman, who, like the two other men, is a member of the Cuban Nationalist Movement, a militant anti-Castro organization.

The affidavit states Novo's thumbprint was found on one of three letters typed over his name and also found in Ross Diaz' office.

The information in the affidavit places all three in the room where the explosive components and a weapons ledger were found.

The affidavit does not reveal the contents of the Novo letters, dated July 5, 1976. But it states that explosive components were in Ross Diaz' possession "at least as early as July 6, 1976, to at least as late as November 1, 1977." On that date Ross Diaz was evicted from his office for not paying rent, the affidavit says.

That time span places the explosive components in Ross Diaz' possession more than two months before the Letelier bombing in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 21, 1976.

The affidavit says that a 16-ounce bottle found in the office was half-filled with potassium permanganate (a heat intensifier used in incendiary devices), and "none of the eight ounces missing from the bottle were found in said room." The affidavit says a substantial amount of gun powder removed from shotgun shells also was missing from the office when the FBI searched it last month.

"Persons having access to said room have probably made a destructive device," concludes the affidavit.

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which was signed by FBI bomb expert William Gilman. Gilman and the FBI spokesman in Newark would not comment whether the bomb used to kill Letelier was made of materials said to be missing from the office.

The affidavit for the first time links the two organizations, CNM and Omega 7. "The CNM has been involved in terrorist activities in the past, both inside and outside the U.S.," the affidavit says. "Under the aegis of Omega 7, it has claimed credit for at least three bombings in New Jersey since September 1976."

Novo, a fugitive for the last 10 months, was arrested here April 14 with Ross Diaz. Novo was charged with failing to show up at a probation revocation hearing June 6.

A probation revocation motion filed in the U.S. court in Newark says Novo violated probation by traveling to Venezuela and Chile after his 1974 sentence for conspiring to destroy the Cuban consulate and trade mission in Montreal.

"Novo took action to conceal his travel and its purpose from the lawful authorities . . . In addition, the evidence will show Novo was traveling with Orlando Bosch," said the motion, signed by Assistant U.S. Attorney Eugene Propper. Propper heads the Letelier murder investigation.

The Letelier bombing was "the background leading to the motion for revocation of probation," the motion says. "As a result of investigation into the murders by the FBI, Novo's foreign travel came to light.

"The trips to Venezuela and Chile are very important to the grand jury's investigation of the (Letelier) murder and Novo was questioned about them in two appearances before the grand jury," the motion states.

While investigating the CNM "as it relates to possible violations of the Neutrality Law Act," FBI agents

went to a "commercial-residential building" at 4523 Bergenline Ave., Union City, on Feb. 28, the affidavit says.

The superintendent of the building identified pictures of Ross Diaz as having rented an office for the C & P Novelty Co. under the name of Carlos Garcia, according to the affidavit.

On March 8, the affidavit says, the superintendent called the FBI and said that while cleaning the office left vacant since Ross Diaz was evicted, he had found items that might be of interest to the agency.

The affidavit says agents found more than eight feet of detonating cord, 18 12-gauge shotgun shells with all the gunpowder removed, the half-empty bottle of potassium permanganate, eight electric matches (a device that can be used to ignite low explosives), about nine primer caps, the weapons ledger and the Novo letters.

All the items except for the shotgun shells, the Novo letters, and the weapons ledger were found in a cigar box.

The ledger gave detailed descriptions of 27 weapons, among them a two-barreled nickel-plated shotgun, sawed-off 12 gauge shotgun, M-1 rifle and 11 handguns.

The ledger cataloged the weapons as being in two locations, identified only as "#1" or "#2" and "in charge of", or "in possession" of persons identified by initials.

It also listed a wide variety of grenades, detonator cords, fuse igniters, mercury contact capsules, unrepared watches, a quantity of "soaps and detergents" and music equipment.

The FBI refused to say whether any of the weapons described in the ledger had been found or traced to terrorist acts.

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FBI Uncovers Records Showing Townley Contacted Cuban Exiles

WASHINGTON — (AP) — An American being held as a material witness in the 1976 bombing assassination of Orlando Letelier contacted Cuban exiles at least twice prior to the killing, a Justice Department source says.

The source, who asked not to be identified, said Wednesday night that the FBI has uncovered telephone records showing that Michael V. Townley, the American, made two calls to Cuban exiles in New Jersey.

Federal investigators are reported to believe the assassination in Washington of Letelier, a former left-wing Chilean official, was carried out by Cuban exiles under orders from Chile's secret police.

THE INVESTIGATORS suspect that Townley was a go-between with a group of Cuban exiles who allegedly placed the bomb.

Investigators think that Townley was working for DINA, a now-disbanded unit of Chile's secret police, when he traveled to the United States on a Chilean passport in August 1976.

The source said Townley placed one call to a bar in Union City, N.J., frequented by Cuban exiles and another to the home in Cliffside Park, N.J., of a suspect in the assassination. The source did not identify the suspect.

Townley, 35, has lived in Chile most of his life. He was deported from Chile to the United States earlier this month as a result of heavy pressure from the U.S. government. After his arrival, Townley was ordered held without bond as a material witness.

Letelier, a cabinet minister in the

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government of the late Marxist President Salvador Allende, was jailed for a year after the military coup in 1973.

After his release, while in exile in Washington, Letelier was killed when a bomb exploded under his car on Sept. 26, 1976.

LAST WEEK, two Cuban exiles from New Jersey were arrested in Miami on charges unrelated to the assassination. However, a source in Washington said the two are linked to the Letelier investigation.

Guillermo Novo Sampol, 38, who fled authorities in New Jersey after his conviction in connection with a

1974 plot to destroy the Cuban consulate in Montreal, was arrested as a probation violator.

The other man, Alvin Ross Diaz, 45, was charged with conspiracy to make explosives and incendiary devices.

The source said the FBI discovered that Guillermo Novo traveled to Chile shortly before Letelier's killing.

The source added that Diaz was subpoenaed last spring and granted immunity from prosecution to testify before a grand jury. Diaz refused to testify and was not called before the grand jury.

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Home Held Bomb Gear, FBI Says

By **JOE CRANKSHAW**
Herald Staff Writer

Electronic gear like that used to make sophisticated bombs was found in the home of one of two anti-Castro militants now under arrest, an FBI agent testified Thursday in Miami federal court.

FBI Agent Ovidio Cervantes testified that electronic circuit boards were found in the Union City, N.J., home of Alvin Ross Diaz, 45.

Ross and Guillermo Novo Sampol, 38, are subjects in the current investigation of the 1976 murder of former Chilean ambassador Orlando Letelier in Washington, D.C., Cervantes testified.

They were arrested last Friday in Miami with Manuel Menendez, a suspected drug dealer.

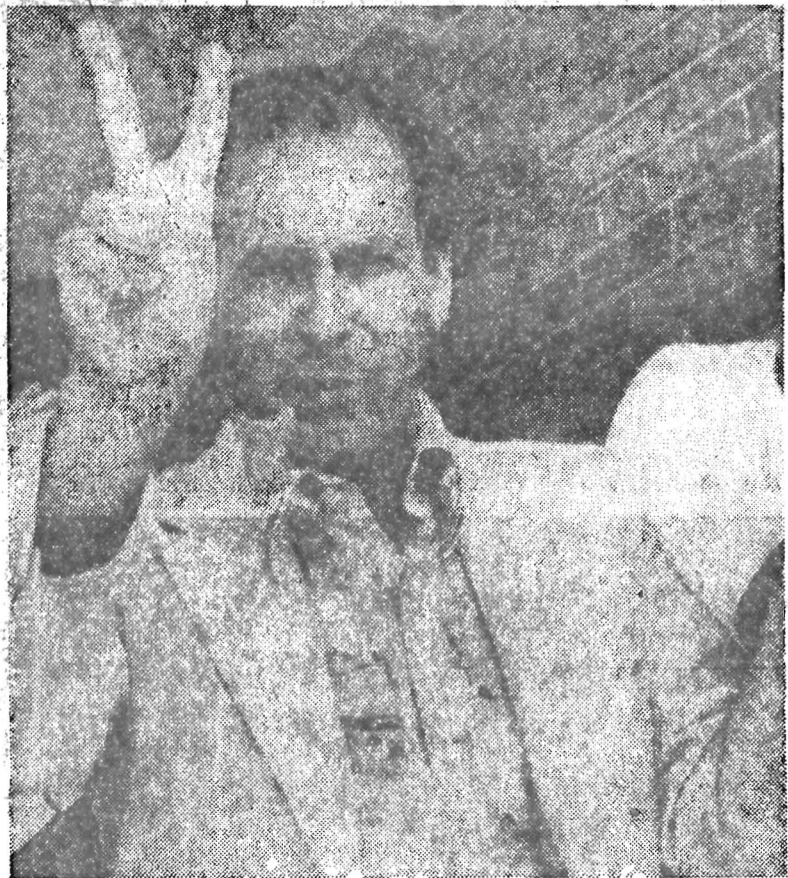
"ROSS WAS associated with Menendez, who is involved in a conspiracy to distribute more than 41 pounds of heroin valued at more than \$10 million in Las Vegas, New York and Miami," Cervantes swore.

Ross had a pound of cocaine, wrapped in metal foil and plastic wrap in the trunk of the 1977 Lincoln Continental he was driving when he was arrested, Cervantes said.

Four pistols also were found, two of which belonged to Menendez, Cervantes told U.S. Magistrate Herbert Shapiro.

The testimony came during a bond hearing for Novo and Ross. Novo is wanted for parole violation by New Jersey authorities. Ross faces federal charges in a bombing last December in New Jersey.

Judge Shapiro set a \$200,000 bond for Ross and told Novo that he would not be allowed to post bond because Novo had failed to keep federal court appearances in New Jersey.



— JOHN WALTHER / Miami Herald Staff

Guillermo Novo Sampol Flashes Peace Sign

... wanted by New Jersey for parole violation

BOTH MEN will go to New Jersey to face charges.

Ross told the court that he runs a promotion company which helps other firms sell things, and also sells used cars.

Born in Cuba, Ross said he is a permanent resident alien in the United States and has been arrested only once before on charges of interstate transportation of a stolen pistol from Miami to Union City.

The charges for the transportation of the stolen pistol still are pending, and Cervantes said Ross is wanted for failing to appear in court on those charges.

Cervantes also said that he could produce witnesses from the Dade County Jail, where Ross and Novo have been held since their arrest, who would

testify that the two men have made threats against the FBI, court and jail personnel.

"In essence," Cervantes said, "they said everything will be blown away because of the way they have been handled."

Defense attorney Stuart Wilson argued that the charges against his clients, including the alleged threats, were insubstantial and that both men should be released on bond.

"There is nothing concrete against these men," Wilson argued.

Novo did not testify and no evidence was presented against him in court because of the fact that he was ineligible for bond and must be returned to New Jersey to stand trial.

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MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

Person Interviewed: GLORIA MARINA
Miami Herald News Reporter
Interviewed by: Det. D. Benitez
Location: Via Telephone
Date: April 26, 1978


On 26 April 1978 this detective received a telephone call from Gloria Marina, Miami Herald news reporter, who related the following: that she had obtained the following information from the Herald reporter who is currently in Washington, D. C. covering the LETELIER matter.

That at 1:00 p.m. MICHAEL TOWNLEY would be appearing in Federal Court and that he would be charged with the murder of Letelier. That subsequent to the hearing, the FBI would be arresting and charging IGNACIO NOVO and FELIPE RIVERO in Miami due to TOWNLEY'S confession linking them to the Letelier murder.

No other information.

This information was passed to the FBI without naming the source. The FBI denied this information.

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DATE: April 28, 1978

Continuing investigation into the arrest of GUILLERMO NOVO SAMPOL
and ALVIN ROSS DIAZ.

SYNOPSIS:

Information received reference pending arrests.

DETAILS:

See memorandum of interview.

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Beeper in Cuban Militant's Car Is Probed in Letelier Bombing

By CHERYL BROWNSTEIN
And JOE CRANKSHAW

Herald Staff Writers

The FBI is trying to determine whether an electronic beeper found in a car driven by an anti-Castro militant was used to detonate the bomb that killed former Chilean foreign minister Orlando Letelier in Washington, D.C., in 1976.

In a sworn statement filed in federal court Wednesday, Miami FBI Agent George F. Cannon, Jr. said the beeper, found in the glove compartment of a gray 1977 Lincoln Continental driven by Alvin Ross Díaz, may be linked to the Letelier assassination.

"It is my belief that the electronic pager or beeper ... in the glove box of the ... Lincoln Continental may have been used as the device which caused the explosion of Letelier's car on September 21, 1976,"

Cannon said in the affidavit, written to support a search warrant for the car.

"It is believed by members of (an) FBI Laboratory team that an electronic pager or beeper may have been used to detonate the explosive destructive device in Letelier's car," Cannon said.

The statement tends to confirm speculation that the bomb that killed Letelier in his car was detonated by remote radio control. The beeper has been sent to an FBI laboratory for study, a source close to the investigation said.

Federal investigators are known to believe that Letelier, once an official in Chilean President Salvador Allende's Marxist government, was murdered by Cuban militants acting under the direction of Chilean secret police agents. Díaz and an a fel-

low militant Guillermo Novo, investigators have said, are central figures in the case.

Díaz and Novo were arrested April 14 in Dade County and were transferred to New Jersey to face federal charges unrelated to the Letelier bombing. Both men are members of the Cuban Nationalist Movement (CNM), also known to the FBI as Omega 7. The Letelier investigation has focused on these organizations," the affidavit added.

"I would think they would have an idea as to the nature or the type (of beeper). I don't know what would lead them to believe that the pager was the one he (Díaz) had in his car," said Díaz' attorney, Donald Spain. "It sounds to me that they're really groping. I just think the government is frustrated."

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Wearing a wig — 4-213

That's what anti-Castro Cuban Guillermo Novo Sampol, 38, was doing when he was arrested in Miami last month, federal agents have told a bail hearing for Novo Sampol in Newark, N.J. The government argued against lowering his \$200,000 bail yesterday and it remained intact. Novo Sampol has been questioned in connection with the 1976 car bombing in Washington that killed former Chilean diplomat Orlando Letelier and an American research assistant. The government charges that Novo Sampol violated his probation from a 1974 conviction for conspiring to destroy Cuban property in Montreal. He now faces a new hearing in Trenton, N.J., next week on the parole violation charge.

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Guillermo Novo
... newest suspect

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Sixth Man
Charged in
Letelier Case

By GARY M. FISHMAN
Special to The Herald

TRENTON, N.J. — The Justice Department Thursday charged Guillermo Novo, an anti-Castro Cuban-American, with conspiracy in the 1976 car-bomb assassination of former Chilean diplomat Orlando Letelier.

Novo, 38, is the fifth member of the Miami-based Cuban Nationalist Movement to be charged with conspiracy in Letelier's death in Washington. A sixth man, American expatriate Michael Townley, also has been charged with conspiracy and reportedly is cooperating with federal investigators.

In another significant development in the Letelier case Thursday, sources in Washington said U.S. officials are arranging to bring the former head of Chile's secret police to the United States.

Travel plans for Manuel Contreras are indefinite, the sources said. Contreras headed the feared Directorate of National Intelligence (DINA) at the time of Letelier's death and was a vocal critic of Letelier.

LETELIER WAS a member of the government of Marxist Chilean President Salvador Allende, overthrown in September 1973. Allende died during the ouster; Letelier eventually came to the United



Orlando Letelier
... died in explosion

States in exile after Chile was taken over by a military junta led by Gen. Augusto Pinochet.

U.S. investigators say they believe that Guillermo Novo and the other members of the Cuban Nationalist Movement were hired to assassinate Letelier. However, the movement maintains the six suspects are being framed in an attempt by the United States to improve relations with Fidel Castro's Communist government in Cuba.

Eugene M. Propper, assistant U.S. attorney who heads the Letelier investigation, announced the conspiracy charge against Novo during a parole violation and revocation hearing before U.S. District Judge George H. Barlow.

Barlow found Novo guilty of four parole violations — one of them being a trip to Chile and Venezuela in late 1974 without the knowledge of Novo's parole officer — and sentenced him to 2½ years in prison.

NOVO'S PROBATIONARY status stemmed from a conviction for plotting in 1969 to blow up the Cuban Embassy in Montreal and Russian ships in Canada. After Barlow sentenced him Thursday, Novo was returned to the federal Metropolitan Corrections Center in New York City.

Propper said he expects a grand jury investigating the Letelier case to return indictments soon. He indicated that more charges — possibly for murder — will be leveled against some or all of the six men who have been charged with conspiracy.

The most damaging evidence at Novo's parole-violation hearing came from Ernest L. Barcella Jr., an assistant U.S. attorney who testified that a high-ranking official in the Venezuelan secret police told him that Novo was in Venezuela in late 1974.

Barcella said that Rafael Rivas Vasquez, deputy commissioner of the Venezuelan secret police, told him he had spoken to Novo while Novo was in his country.

"VASQUEZ SAID he told Novo that his passport would reflect that he went out of the country," Barcella testified.

"Vasquez told me that Novo replied he would toss his passport in the river." Other testimony showed the passport never was found.

Novo's lawyer, Paul Goldberger, argued that the only reason Propper brought the parole-violation charge against Novo was to find some way to hold him until Propper could charge Novo in the Letelier case.

Besides Novo and Townley, others charged in the Letelier case are Ignacio Novo, Guillermo's 39-year-old brother; Dionisio Suarez, Virgilio Paz, and Alvin Ross Diaz, who was charged on Wednesday.

Suarez and Paz are being sought by the FBI. The others are in custody.

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CASE NO: 3-93
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DATE: June 14, 1978

Continuing investigation into the illegal activities of MANUEL MENENDEZ, a wanted fugitive still at large.

SYNOPSIS:

Surveillance of DIANA GONZALEZ.

DETAILS:

On Tuesday, 13 June 1978, a surveillance was conducted of 2901 S. W. 16 Street, the residence of DIANA GONZALEZ. The following is a chronology of the events that were observed by Dets. H. Rapado, J. Gonzalez, T. Prieto, I. Vazquez.

2:00 p.m. Surveillance begun.

2:30 p.m. DIANA GONZALEZ left the house accompanied by an older lady (unknown).

2:35 p.m. Left older lady at 56 Avenue S. W. 8 Street, Miami.

2:43-3:08 p.m. Drove to 5818 S. W. 8 Street, Miami then to Columbus and Algeria Avenues in Coral Gables, looking for address; drove in area, stopped at Algiers Avenue.

3:10 p.m. Departed.

3:14 p.m. Stopped at 1012 Columbus Drive.

3:20 p.m. Departed, drove to pick up the old lady at 56 Avenue S. W. 8 Street.

3:40 p.m. Arrived home.

4:00 p.m. Benitez joined surveillance.

6:15 p.m. DIANA GONZALEZ drove to 7-11 at 16 Street S. W. 27 Avenue. Went to phone and made a call - hung up. Observed by Benitez and Gonzalez.

6:26 p.m. Got call back, unknown caller. Spoke into phone.


6:28 p.m. Hung up, drove home again.

6:30 p.m. Obtained phone number from coin box used, 446-7124.


7:00 p.m. Red Monte Carlo arrived at 2901 S. W. 16 Street. Unknown W/M went in, came out, put clothes in trunk of vehicle and returned to the house.

7:15 p.m. Detail secured.

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(93515-Y)

DATE: June 15, 1978

Continuing investigation into the illegal activities of MANUEL MENENDEZ, a fugitive still at large.

SYNOPSIS:

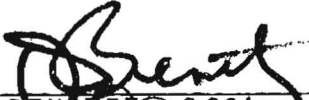
Surveillance of 15 June 1978, Thursday, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

DETAILS:

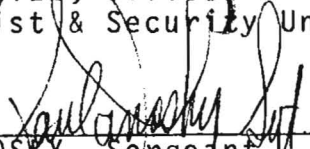
During the above date and time the following was observed during the surveillance of DIANA GONZALEZ (conducted by Dets. Vazquez, Gonzalez, Rapado, and Benitez).

- 2:00 p.m. On location. Vehicle not at home (2901 S. W. 16 Street). Det. Vazquez surveiling.
- 5:15 p.m. Vehicle driven by DIANA GONZALEZ arrived home.
- 5:30 p.m. Other detectives arrived at surveillance point.
- 6:20 p.m. DIANA GONZALEZ drove to 7-11 store at 16 Street S. W. 27 Avenue. She dialed an unknown number. No talking, only allows phone to ring, then hangs up. A few moments later receives a call from unknown party and speaks to that party.
- 6:35 p.m. DIANA GONZALEZ hung up and drove home.
- 6:38 p.m. Red Monte Carlo arrived again driven by same man.
- 6:50 p.m. DIANA GONZALEZ and driver of red Monte Carlo depart and are lost in traffic; left someone to watch 2901 S. W. 16 Street.
- 7:35 p.m. Red Monte Carlo returned home.
- 10:20 p.m. No more activity observed. Secured detail.


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SENSITIVE

CASE NO: 3-93
(93515-Y)

DATE: June 16, 1978

Continuing investigation of the illegal activities of MANUEL MENDNEZ, a fugitive still at large.

SYNOPSIS:

Surveillance conducted on Friday, 16 June 1978, beginning at approximately 4:00 p.m.

DETAILS:

On the above date and time a surveillance was conducted of the residence located at 2901 S. W. 16 Street, Miami, the home of DIANA GONZALEZ. Following, in chronological order, are the events of the surveillance.

- 4:00 p.m. In position. Her vehicle is observed, brown Plymouth bearing tag 1K-2512.
- 7:00 p.m. Monte Carlo arrived, tag 1W-371392, with same driver.
- 7:50 p.m. Male driver and little girl leave in Monte Carlo, drive to El Bombero #2 Market located at 16 Street S. W. 27 Avenue.
- 8:05 p.m. Vehicle leaves and goes to Bella Napoli Italian Restaurant at 18 Avenue N. W. 20 Street.
- 8:09 p.m. Drives to Banbara Fashions, 19 Avenue N. W. 20 Street and goes inside; puts some items in the trunk of Monte Carlo.
- 8:20 p.m. Departs and drives to Bella Napoli Restaurant, 18 Avenue N. W. 20 Street.
- 8:31 p.m. Monte Carlo departs restaurant, takes out packages and drives to 2901 S. W. 16 Street.
- 10:30 p.m. No activity observed. Detail secured except for Dets. Rapado and Benitez.
- 10:30 p.m. Monte Carlo leaves. Porch light turned off.
- 11:00 p.m. Porch light turned on.
- 11:15 p.m. W/F driving a yellow Grand Prix arrives, Fla. tag 1W-178608. DIANA comes to front of house dressed in housecoat and speaks to W/F.
- 11:33 p.m. DIANA GONZALEZ comes out of the house dressed in short jumper dress (print) and drives to the 7-11

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located at 16 Street S. W. 27 Avenue, approaches the northernmost phone and within two minutes the telephone rang and was answered and she began talking, at which time a young Latin girl approached DIANA GONZALEZ who stated to the young girl "Do you wish to use the phone?" The girl stated that she was waiting to use the phone. DIANA GONZALEZ said into the phone "Call me back" and hung up. DIANA GONZALEZ then gave the phone to the unknown female and waited for her to finish her call. Once the call was completed by the unknown female, DIANA GONZALEZ waited by the telephone.

11:48 p.m. Second phone call comes in. DIANA GONZALEZ picked up the phone and spoke to the calling party, at which time DIANA GONZALEZ was overheard by Det. Benitez to say "Hello, MANNY" or "Hello, honey" while answering the phone. No other conversation was overheard due to several juveniles coming into the area and making noise.

11:56 p.m. Phone conversation was ended and DIANA GONZALEZ departed and drove home.

2:00 a.m. Detail secured.

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CASE NO: 4-213

DATE: June 21, 1978

Continuing investigation into the whereabouts of federal fugitives DIONISIO SUAREZ ESQUIVEL and VIRGILIO PAZ.

SYNOPSIS:

On 21 June 1978 this writer spoke to FBI S/A O. Cervantes, who then provided information on SUAREZ and PAZ.

DETAILS:

Cervantes stated that they had been able to verify that PAZ had been in the Miami area as of 10 May 1978. He further related that according to their sources, both subjects are presently in the New Jersey area.

Cervantes stated that RAUL JESUS GONZALEZ, a member of the MNC (MOVIMIENTO NACIONALISTA CUBANO) had aided PAZ as of 10 May 1978. Upon interviewing GONZALEZ, he admitted to having helped PAZ, stated he would continue to do so, and would not hesitate to do it again if necessary.

Cervantes advised this writer he is presently pursuing attempts to obtain warrants for the arrest of GONZALEZ on charges of harboring a fugitive.

The FBI is continuing attempts to locate PAZ and SUAREZ.

Investigation continues.

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CASE NO: 3-93
(93515-Y)

DATE: July 10 1978

Continuing investigation into the ORLANDO LETELIER and RONI MOFFITT bombing and the activities of VIRGILIO PAZ ROMERO and JOSE DIONISIO SUAREZ ESQUIVEL, federal fugitives still at large.

SYNOPSIS:

Information received in reference to CUBAN DOCTORS ASSOCIATION meeting and information reference possible location of VIRGILIO PAZ ROMERO and DIONISIO SUAREZ ESQUIVEL.

DETAILS:

This detective received unverified information about the CUBAN DOCTORS ASSOCIATION in the U. S., that they were going to have a convention in Miami on 28 June 1978 through 4 July 1978. The convention was to be held at the 4 Ambassadors Hotel. The information further stated that JUAN B. PULIDO would be attending the convention. JUAN B. PULIDO has been named previously by the FBI as an associate of MANOLO REBOSO in Miami and a member of the MNC (CUBAN NATIONALIST MOVEMENT) in New Jersey, and a close associate of GUILTERMO NOVO-SAMPOL and ALVIN ROSS DIAZ. PULIDO has also been named as being a fund raiser for ORLANDO BOSCH AVILA. This information was made available to the FBI.

On Monday, 3 July 1978, this detective advised FBI Agent Cervantes that their convention was in progress and that PULIDO might attend, in case they had an interest. Cervantes requested that verification of PULIDO'S arrival in Miami would be useful to them.

On 5 July 1978 this detective was able to verify PULIDO being in town due to some visual observation being made of him at the convention by a fellow Cuban doctor. This information was relayed to this detective and forwarded to the FBI by this detective.

On 6 July 1978 this detective obtained further information from Det. Rapado as to DR. JUAN B. PULIDO, DR. ROMENECH, and JOSE TENREIRO being in Miami and planning to have some meetings in the Miami area.

On 7 July 1978 this detective received information which was mostly known to this detective. The information alleges that DUNNEY PEREZ ALAMO is a Cuban Castro agent and a front for Cuban cocaine smuggling, and currently working for WFC. It alleges further that DUNNEY had been a captain in the Castro army and that he had been a very close friend and partner of JOSE DIONISIO SUAREZ ESQUIVEL. That DIONISIO was also a Castro agent. That DIONISIO SUAREZ was probably in Miami and that if anyone knew the whereabouts of DIONISIO SUAREZ it would certainly be DUNNEY PEREZ ALAMO.


A routine check was made with New York City P.D. to verify that JUAN B. PULIDO had left their area. During the conversation some

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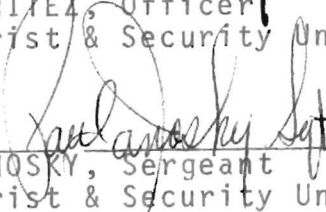
of the prior information was mentioned. New York City stated that some of the information was known to them from FBI sources and it was requested by NYPD to keep the information extremely confidential as the FBI was checking along these lines.

No other information available at this time.

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CASE NO: 3-93
(93515-Y)

DATE: July 11, 1978

Continuing investigation into the activities of JOSE DIONISIO SUAREZ ESQUIVEL and VIRGILIO PAZ ROMERO, two federal fugitives wanted on the bombing murder of ORLANDO LETELIER and RONI MOFFITT.


SYNOPSIS:

Surveillance conducted of DUNNEY PEREZ ALAMO.

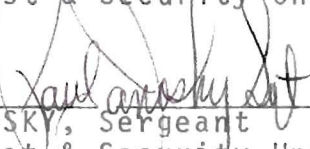
DETAILS:

On 11 July 1978 at 10:00 a.m. a surveillance was conducted of the residence of DUNNEY PEREZ ALAMO by Dets. Benitez and Prieto. No movement was observed by this team. A brown station wagon, unknown tag, was observed at the driveway. At approximately 11:30 a.m. a W/F was observed getting into the wagon and driving away. The surveillance was terminated.


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CASE NO: 3-93
(93515-Y)

DATE: July 12, 1978

Continuing investigation into the illegal activities of ALVIN ROSS DIAZ and MANUEL MENENDEZ.

SYNOPSIS:

Request for release of copy of motor vehicle title to ALVIN ROSS's attorney.

DETAILS:

On 10 July 1978 a person calling himself the attorney for ALVIN ROSS and using the name of RICHARD MOORE contacted Sgt. Janosky and attempted to obtain the release of a vehicle's title which he stated was in our property room. Sgt. Janosky referred him to this investigator.

On 12 July 1978 a message to call 552-0933, a female, ANNIE DIAZ, was received by this detective. Upon contacting Mrs. DIAZ the following was learned. Mrs. DIAZ is the sister-in-law of ALVIN ROSS DIAZ. That due to the unsatisfactory service of the attorney, SPAIN, ROSS DIAZ had requested that STUART WILSON again work for him on the state charges. Mrs. DIAZ wanted the release of ROSS DIAZ Lincoln and wanted other miscellaneous ID's, etc. as well as the bond monies. This detective attempted to explain to her that all the property was being held until the prosecutor decided what he would need in his case, and that as soon as this was done all nonevidentiary material would be released by the police. The bond money would have to be up to the judge, as the judge in the case could have estreated the bond. The vehicle was being claimed by two parties, MENENDEZ through Wilson and ROSS through Moore, and that until the dual ownership question would be resolved the department could not really take one man's word over the other's.

On the same date attorney RICHARD MOORE contacted this detective and requested a copy of the title to the car of ALVIN ROSS. This detective explained that he would attempt to obtain a copy from the property room and it would be turned over to him.

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CASE NO: 3-93

DATE: July 24, 1978

Continuing investigation into the activities of ALVIN ROSS DIAZ, GUILLERMO NOVO SAMPOL and IGNACIO NOVO SAMPOL, known terrorists, members of the MNC (CUBAN NATIONALIST MOVEMENT) and their involvement in the LETELIER bombing.

SYNOPSIS:

Fund raising activities.

DETAILS:

On Monday, 17 July 1978, this detective was advised by a reliable person that RAFAEL VILLAVERDE was actively soliciting funds for the legal fees required to pay the defense of the NOVOS and ROSS. That VILLAVERDE had solicited for funds at the LITTLE HAVANA ACTIVITIES CENTER and that he had been requesting a \$3.00 donation from the elderly Cuban members as well as from the staff. The collections were made on July 13. VILLAVERDE had allegedly challenged all the "finks" present to call the FBI and turn him in for being a patriot and helping the NOVOS.

On Monday, 24 July 1978, this detective received information that at 7:00 p.m. at 120 N. W. 27 Avenue, a place called THE CASINO would be hosting a group of persons who would be attempting to raise monies for the payment of legal costs of GUILLERMO NOVO SAMPOL and his brother, IGNACIO, as well as for ALVIN ROSS DIAZ, all of whom have been charged with conspiracy in connection with the fatal bombing of ORLANDO LETELIER and RONI MOFFITT occurring in Washington, D. C. during 1976. An attempt to verify the information did not prove positive.

On the same date a news report on WOBA stated that a fund raising meeting would be held at 152 N. W. 27 Avenue at 7:00 p.m. in benefit of the NOVOS and ROSS DIAZ.

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