

U.S. Inquiry Is Sought By Expatriate Cubans On 'Systematic Terror'

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A group of Cuban-Americans eager to promote a "dialogue" with the Government of Fidel Castro called on Federal authorities yesterday to investigate a "systematic campaign of terror" against them by anti-Castro terrorists whom they blamed for the shooting death Sunday of Eulalio José Negrín.

Mr. Negrín, 38 years old, headed a service to help reunite Cuban refugee families and obtain the release of imprisoned relatives. He was slain by two men outside his home in Union City, N.J. An anonymous caller claimed responsibility on behalf of the clandestine anti-Castro organization Omega 7.

Yesterday, colleagues of Mr. Negrín from the Committee of 75 and the Cuban-American Committee for the Normalization of Relations with Cuba said previous appeals to investigate attacks against their colleagues had been ignored.

In a statement released at a news conference at the United Nations Church Center, they said the aim of the attacks was "to terrorize the community to prevent or retard the normalization of diplomatic relations and trade between Cuba and the U.S."

'They Fear Normalization'

"They fear normalization of relations, because that would be the end of their way of life," said Dr. Lourdes Casals, who teaches at Rutgers University.

Dr. Casals participated in negotiations a year ago between Mr. Castro and Cuban moderates who became known as the Committee of 75. The negotiations led to the release of 3,000 Cuban political prisoners and the resumption of travel to the island by Cubans who had not been there for as long as 20 years.

Last April 28, Carlos Varela Muñoz, who headed a travel agency that ar-

ranged trips to Cuba for natives of Cuba living in Puerto Rico, was murdered in San Juan, and terrorists also claimed responsibility.

The group that held the news conference yesterday said that more than a dozen attempts had been made since 1975 to assassinate Cubans living outside their native land. Some of those attempts succeeded, they said.

The Union City police said they were not convinced the death of Mr. Negrín was the work of anti-Castro groups, but they did not amplify that statement.

Mr. Negrín had administered the New Jersey Cuban Program in Weehawken.