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INS to decide within 60 days on pursuing Bosch deportation

The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service will decide within 60 days whether to go forward with or drop deportation proceedings against anti-Castro militant Orlando Bosch.

However, the INS ruling will then be reviewed by the Justice Department, which could take more time, said Washington INS

spokesman Verne Jervis.

Bosch, who arrived illegally in Miami from Venezuela in February 1988, has been held in INS custody in Southwest Dade while awaiting the decision. Bosch's lawyer, Raoul Cantero, said he will appeal if INS decides to deport Bosch.

Dade County's Cuban-American delegation of state legislators has tried to rally support for Bosch. Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Balart, R-Miami, and other Dade legislators met Tuesday with INS Commissioner Alan Nelson in Washington. State Sen. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Miami, met with Nelson last week.

Bosch arrived in Miami after serving 11 years in prison in Venezuela on charges of being involved in the bombing of Cuban jetliner in

which 73 passengers died. The charges were dropped.