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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS  
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES  
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

Previous investigation has reflected that ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator, presently residing in New York City, allegedly had sent a group of Cuban exiles from the New York area to Miami, for the purpose of participating in an invasion of Haiti, and that, some of these men had reportedly gone down to the Florida Keys to a camp for training.

Close friends and relatives of MASFERRER, when interviewed, denied any knowledge of these allegations and claimed that MASFERRER had not been in the Miami area, despite reports to the contrary.

It is to be noted that during the BATISTA regime, while serving as Senator from Oriente Province, MASFERRER was the head of a so-called "goon squad" commonly known as "The Tigers." MASFERRER acquired a reputation of being ruthless, but was at the same time an enemy of FIDEL CASTRO. He is still regarded with considerable fear by many Cubans, and at the same time he has the staunch support of his followers.

He has been excluded from the Miami area and restricted to the New York area by the Immigration and

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It is to be recalled that when five of the men at the Senate Hotel were interviewed on August 9, 1963, they denied any connection with MASFERRER's alleged plan to invade Haiti or Cuba, or any plans for training in Florida.

On August 21, 1963, ~~SANTIAGO ALVAREZ RODRIGUEZ~~, 541 N.W. 45th Avenue, Miami, former Cuban Senator exiled in Miami, and now one of the leaders of an anti-CASTRO action group known as Comandos L, advised he possessed no information concerning any plan of ROLANDO MASFERRER to invade Haiti or any other country. ALVAREZ claimed he had not seen ROLANDO during the recent past, and had no knowledge of his having been in the Miami area. He stated, however, that RODOLFO MASFERRER, a brother of ROLANDO, was at the home of ALVAREZ several days previously, to treat ALVAREZ' teeth, as RODOLFO is a Dentist by profession. *Wm.*

It is to be noted that previous investigation had reflected that ROLANDO MASFERRER was reportedly at the home of ALVAREZ on August 14 or 15, 1963, along with several other individuals.

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