

Anti-Castro Group Claims Slaying

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the Committee of 75 in Miami. "This kind of act hasn't happened in Miami because official vigilance is greater. But we all consider ourselves targets."

"Everything seems to indicate

political motives for the killing," said Union City policeman Edward Denzen. "Negrin had received numerous threats on his life — letters, telephone calls."

The Associated Press in New York received a call Sunday night from a man who said he was a member of the anti-Castro group

Omega 7, claiming responsibility for the shooting.

"WE WILL continue with these executions until we have eliminated all of the traitors living in this country," the man said.

Last April in Puerto Rico, pro-dialogue exile Carlos Muniz was shot

to death while riding home in his car. Muniz belonged to the Antonio Maceo Brigade, which favors the lifting of the U.S. economic embargo with Cuba. He also operated a travel agency that sold trips to Cuba to exiles.

"The authorities cannot say they don't know who committed these crimes," said Hialeah minister Manuel Espinosa, also a Committee of 75 member. "Can we keep turning the other cheek? Muniz was a cheek; Negrin, a cheek. The authorities know the elements using the dynamite, the guns."

Fernando Mena, committee member and president of the Miami-based Cuban Group for Family Reunification, said: "These are crimes which must repulse everyone. They are recurring and recurring and must be stopped."

DENZEN SAID that early this year the office of the Cuban Refugee Program operated by Negrin was bombed; after he moved his office to nearby Weehawken, N.J., it was bombed again. The second bombing — along with several others in the New York-New Jersey area — was claimed by Omega 7.

Members of anti-Castro groups deny complicity in attacks against pro-dialogue exiles. But they also have declined to criticize attacks on Castro or his "agents" either abroad or in the United States.

Union City policeman Victor Sismondo said numerous anti-Castro groups were being checked for clues. He indicated the shots were fired by occupants of a red-topped, silver Ford automobile. They used semi-automatic weapons, he said.

"We don't know if they shot from the car or while on foot," Sismondo said.

The FBI is aiding in the investigation, Sismondo said.

Pro-Talks Leader Killed by Gunmen

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Assassins gunned down a Cuban exile in New Jersey Sunday who favored dialogue with the Cuban government, police said.

The killing — the second of a pro-dialogue exile this year — sparked Miami-based participants in talks with the Castro government to call on the U.S. government to crack down on terrorists.

Police in Union City, N.J., said Eulalio Negrin, 37, was shot on a street one block from his home Sunday morning. At least one of two men wearing ski masks opened fire as Negrin was about to enter a car where his 12-year-old son, Richard, was sitting.

AS HIS SON looked on, Negrin was shot three times in the head and twice in the chest from close range. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Riverside Hospital in Secaucus, N.J. His son was uninjured.

More than a year ago in Havana, Negrin attended the first open talks between Cuban exiles and Fidel Castro concerning the release of political prisoners. He also belonged to the Committee of 75, the exile group that has coordinated release of political prisoners from Cuban jails.

"These threats must be taken seriously by the U.S. government," said the Rev. Jose Reyes, a member of

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