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Charges Against Cuban Chief of Staff

The Department's attention is invited to the joint weekly summary dated November 12, 1948 (mailed November 15) from the Air and Acting Military Attachés to this Embassy in which mention is made of the charges of embezzlement of Army retirement funds recently filed against Major General Genovevo RUIZ Damera by Brigadier General Abelardo GONZALEZ Gomez, retired. This matter was also the subject of the Acting Military Attaché's report R370-48 of November 10, a copy of which has presumably been sent to the Department.

This affair has naturally created a sensation in Cuba and is being prominently reported in the press. At the moment it looks as though General Pérez is being fully supported by the Government and that there is a strong possibility that the case against him will be quashed.

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