

# 'Belligerent Cubans': Listen to us or else

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Using the name "Belligerent Cubans," 58 exile leaders representing all political factions and militant groups have sent the U.S. State Department a document warning "violence might erupt spontaneously" if the exiles' wishes are ignored during negotiations involving their country.

The document assumes negotiations are already taking place between the U.S. and the Soviet Union over the question of Cuba.

And, significantly, it also recognizes for the first time in exile history the impossibility at this time of an effective armed struggle against the Castro regime, because of international pressures favoring detente with communism.

At the same time, however, it proclaims the right of Cubans to conduct such a struggle if they so wish. It also specifies a series of conditions which must be met during negotiations involving the question of their homeland.

First condition is that **Fidel Castro leave Cuba**, together will all the Soviet troops currently in the country.

Other conditions include the freedom of all Cuban political prisoners, the establishment of political freedoms in Cuba, including a constitutional assembly to determine the economic system which should operate there.

The document also calls for the establishment of a temporary government in Cuba to call for general elections supervised by an international body. It relin-

quishes any claims for private property taken over by the state.

"On the other hand, any negotiations entered into by the United States and involving Cuba, which ignore the demands of this Cubanism . . . could result in a new Munich for the Americas," the document warns.

A delegation of 10 Cubans who originated the document is back from Washington where they

were told that U.S. policy towards Cuba remains unchanged and that no negotiations involving Cuba are now taking place.

"Beyond that, the State Department officials didn't react to our demands either one way or the other except to say they would send them up through the proper channels for consideration," said former Cuban president Carlos Prío. He led the delegation.

Other document signers include labor leader Conrado Rodríguez, the man who last month rammed a rented truck against Bayfront Park's Torch of Friendship; members of the Cuban anti-Castro terrorist organizations FLNC and Accion Cubana; the first Cuban president after the Castro victory, Manuel Urrutia; former president of the Cuban Senate Eduardo Suarez Rivas; physicians Alberto Oteiza

Setien and Agustin Castellanos, businessmen Pedro Roig and Ramon Lopez; Eulalia Armesto, Dr. Gerardo Mora Adelit; Capt. Eduardo Sotolongo; Raul Pozo; Andres Rivero Agüero, the father of the exile who returned to Cuba recently and Cuba's president-elect when Castro took over; Jorge Mas Canosa; former Cuban vice-president Rafael Guas Inclan; and Dr. Francisco Leon Fesser.