

GUERRILLAS SEIZE TWO IN URUGUAY

Hold U.S., Brazilian Aides— Two Others Escape

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MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, July 31 — The chief United States adviser to the Uruguayan police force and the Brazilian consul were kidnapped by Marxist guerrillas here today. Two other American officials were injured in an unsuccessful kidnapping attempt.

Apparently coordinated operations were carried out nearly simultaneously against the three Americans and the Brazilian. The operations were the work of the Tupamaros, a group of Marxist-oriented urban guerrillas who have persistently embarrassed the Government of President Jorge Pacheco Areco in the last two years.

The kidnapped American, whose car was forced off the road by his abductors, was Dan A. Mitrione, 49 years old, a former Indiana public official who has been working in Uruguay for two years.

Also kidnapped was Aloysio Mares Diás Comadge, 41, the consul. Four gunmen reportedly entered his home and drove off with him.

A single attempt was made to kidnap M. Gordon Jones, 26, of San Luis Obispo, Calif.,

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a second secretary at the United States Embassy, and Nathan Rosenfield, 58, of Herkimer, N. Y., the embassy's cultural-affairs officer.

Both men managed to elude their abductors after both were struck on the head and slightly injured. Embassy officials refused to disclose further details.

This evening the guerrillas delivered notes to local newspapers saying that Mr. Mitrione had been wounded by a bullet in the shoulder during his abduction and that the wound had required surgery. The Tupamaros provided an extensive clinical description of the wound of the sort that a surgeon might have written.

Mr. Mitrione, the father of nine, heads the public-safety division of the United States aid mission here, which has provided major advisory and material assistance to the hard-pressed police and security forces. He unquestionably knew more about the Tupamaro operations than any other United States official.

The guerrilla notes this evening said the Tupamaros intended to demand the release of political prisoners in exchange for their captives, and said a list of names and the countries to which the Government prisoners should be sent would be provided after the Government had agreed to bargain.

This will pose a severe problem for the Government, which has repeatedly pledged never to surrender prisoners in exchange for hostages.

The police arrested approximately 15 suspects today, most of them at or near checkpoints at the airport.

On Tuesday Tupamaros kidnapped the Uruguayan judge mainly responsible for trying captured guerrillas. They told his family not to worry since they intended to return him after "a long chat." Reports circulated that the Tupamaros had announced they would free the judge, Daniel Pereira Manelli.

Unlike other Latin-American guerrilla groups, the Tupamaros



Dan A. Mitrione, who has been seized by guerrillas.

normally avoid bloodshed when possible. They try instead to create embarrassment for the Government and general disorder.

Tupamaros have never killed any of their prisoners in the past. Among their earlier kidnap victims were President Pacheco's closest adviser as well as a leading banking official. The captives were released unharmed, although in one case the Tupamaros demanded a large cash donation to a labor welfare organization.

United States assistance to the Uruguayan police in the last few years has included helmets, shields and riot-control equipment. More important, the United States has provided a radio network with which military and civilian security forces can coordinate their efforts.

The Tupamaros, named for an Inca emperor, were organized in the early 'nineties, largely by Raúl Sendic, a Marxist Socialist, who initially organized sugar workers in the northern provinces. Later the Tupamaros turned to urban operations, almost entirely in Montevideo.

Among their favorite activities is raiding the files of private companies to obtain evidence of Government corruption, then forwarding the

annotated files to various courts, accompanied by appropriate publicity.

Another recent exploit involved the freeing of 13 women extremists, including a Roman Catholic nun, while they were being taken to a church for Sunday mass. Large quantities of arms, ammunition and explosives have been seized from the security forces.

Adviser Led 4-Man Team

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WASHINGTON, July 31 — Dan A. Mitrione who was kidnapped in Montevideo, is one of 58 public safety advisers stationed in 15 nations in Latin America to advise and train local police forces.

He is the leader of a typical four-man, Spanish-speaking team in Uruguay that also includes a training specialist and two others experienced in police administration and operations. The teams, dispatched by the Agency for International Development, range in size from one each in Chile and Jamaica to 13 in Brazil.

Mr. Mitrione's team, according to agency officials here, emphasizes police organization and management, communications, and the training of police officers to instruct other policemen.

During the five years the team has been in Uruguay, it has trained about 1,000 Uruguayan policemen in Montevideo in riot control.

The general objectives are to strengthen civil police and paramilitary forces to maintain public order and to counter subversion with a minimum of force. The advisory teams also try to encourage responsible and humane police administration to enable the police forces to become better integrated in the community.