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MIAMI, SEPT. 1 (UPI)--A NEW CUBAN EXILE GROUP, ONE OF ABOUT 450 IN MIAMI, BEGAN RECRUITING VETERAN GUERRILLA FIGHTERS TODAY FOR A "MAXIMUM EFFORT" CAMPAIGN TO INCITE THE CUBAN MILITIA TO REVOLT AGAINST FIDEL CASTRO.

THE GROUP, WHICH CALLS ITSELF "THE CUBAN COMBATANTS," JUMPED INTO THE EXILE LIMELIGHT BY ANNOUNCING YESTERDAY THAT CASTRO'S MILITIA IS "GETTING RIPE FOR REBELLION."

DAVID CABEZAS JR., THE GROUP'S SPOKESMAN, SAID CASTRO LIEUTENANTS RECENTLY DISCOVERED A PLOT FOR A MILITARY REVOLT AND ARRESTED 70 OFFICERS.

"BUT THE PLOTTING AGAINST CASTRO IS CONTINUING," HE SAID.

CABEZAS SAYS HE IS ONE OF FIVE LEADERS OF THE NEW GROUP. THREE OF THE LEADERS ALREADY ARE IN CUBA, HE SAID, BUT DECLINED TO IDENTIFY THEM.

THE CUBAN COMBATANTS IS OPEN ONLY TO EXILES WITH PROVED GUERRILLA EXPERIENCE. CABEZAS SAID THE GROUP HOPES "TO BRING ALL VETERAN ANTI-CASTRO COMBATANTS TOGETHER FOR MAXIMUM EFFORT."

"WE ARE OPERATING ON THE PREMISE THAT CASTRO MUST BE OVERTHROWN BY HIS FORCES IN CUBA, WITH HELP FROM ABROAD," HE SAID. "CASTRO IS BEGINNING TO FACE A DESPERATE SITUATION THROUGH CUBA'S SIX PROVINCES BECAUSE HIS ARMED FORCES ARE GETTING RIPE FOR REBELLION."

CABEZAS, AN EXILE NEWSPAPER PUBLISHER, DID NOT SAY HOW MANY EXILES THE NEW GROUP HOPES TO RECRUIT. BUT HE INDICATED THE RECRUITS WOULD BE USED TO "COORDINATE" THE ACTIVITIES OF CASTRO MILITIAMEN WHO ARE WILLING TO REVOLT.

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