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Cuba

Possible Unification of the
Second National Front of the
Escambray and the Cuban Revolu-
tionary Junta

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5 and 6 July 1965

United States, Miami
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A Cuban exile with excellent contacts in the Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP, Revolutionary Movement of the People). He has been an accurate reporter on this organization and on general exile political developments since about mid-1962.

1. Representatives of the Segundo Frente Nacional del Escambray (SFNE, Second National Front of the Escambray), and the Junta Revolucionaria Cubana (JURE, Cuban Revolutionary Junta) met on 5 July 1965 to discuss the possibility of the two groups joining forces. The only agreement reached was that each organization would name a contact committee to discuss the matter.
2. Aurelio Nazario Sargent, a leading official of the SFNE, and Andres Nazario Sargent, his brother, represented the SFNE. The JURE was represented by Manolo Ray Rivero and Antonio Veciana Blanch,^{1,2} leader of Alpha-66. Diego Medina Hernandez, of the SFNE, also attended the meeting. Dr. Armando Fleites Diaz, military coordinator of the SFNE, was invited but did not attend.³
3. On 6 July Ray met with the executive committee of SFNE, but no further agreement was reached.
 1. Source Comment: Veciana said he would definitely retire from the MRP - Alpha-66 - SFNE Alliance on 1 August. He plans to go to Puerto Rico and engage in the import of automobiles.
 2. Field Comment: CSDB-312/01319-65, dated 1 June 1965, from this same source, reported on Veciana's resignation from the Alliance.
 3. Source Comment: Aurelio Nazario, Veciana and Medina feel that both groups would benefit by the merger. Andres Nazario and Fleites oppose it on the grounds there is nothing to be gained by uniting with Ray, who has failed. Actually, Andres Nazario probably fears the loss of political power for the SFNE, while Armando Nazario probably anticipates personal publicity after a successful operation against Cuba.

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