

Bombing death suspects' hideout apparently no secret to the FBI

Guillermo Novo, a Cuban exile living in Union City, is among the missing today. He left his job as an automobile salesman and disappeared on the day that Venezuelan authorities identified him and his brother, Ignacio, as planners of the bombing death of a Chilean diplomat last Sept. 21.

But are Novo and his brother, a Miami, Fla. resident really missing?

A spokesman for the FBI reported that federal agents know where the Novos are, but have received no orders concerning the brothers.

Guillermo Novo was reported to have told friends that he had a premonition of bad things to come when he heard that a fellow Cuban, Dr. Orlando Bosch, and a number of others had been arrested in Venezuela shortly after the Oct. 6 bombing of a Cuban airliner. Bosch is an anti-Castro leader.

Venezuelan authorities said their investigation uncovered a "vast terrorist plan" involving attacks on consulates and other violent acts. The South American officials said they found a link between the air bombing, the slaying of Chilean Foreign Minister Orlando Letelier in Washington and the Novo brothers — one in Union City, the other in Miami.

The day before the Venezuelans released his name, Guillermo was reported to have said to friends in Union City, "I think there's something funny going on, but I don't know what."

What puzzled Novo was that one of the men arrested with Bosch was a former head of the Venezuelan Secret Police. This fact was confirmed by federal officials. Novo couldn't figure out this turn of events.

He said he didn't know of anyone

in the North Hudson area, however, who would have been involved in the sabotage of the Cuban jet.

And Guillermo is generally regarded as in a position to know. He and his brother belong to the Movimiento Cubano, whose members dress in uniforms resembling those of the U.S. green berets.

The last time the Union City Cuban community saw the brothers together was last August. They joined

to take part in a rally at Roosevelt Stadium to help raise funds for the defense of three local men arrested in Manhattan on charges of attempting to bomb a pro-Castro rally site.

The two were indicted in 1965 on charges of firing a bazooka at the United Nations building from the Queens side of the East River. They never came to trial after it was discovered their constitutional rights had been violated during police questioning.

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