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El Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil en el Exilio (Students Revolutionary Directorate in Exile), also known as the Directorio Revolucionario 13 de Marzo, was founded in Miami in 1960 by former University of Havana students exiled as a result of the Cuban Revolution. Founders included Luis Fernández-Rocha, Juan Manuel Salvat, Pedro Ynterian, General Fatjo Miyares, Luis Gutiérrez, Bernabe Peña, Isidro Borja, Elio Mas Hernández, and Ernesto Fernández Travieso. These exiled students were originally members of Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE) in Cuba, one of the largest organizations in Cuba’s insurrectionary struggle. After 1959, the DRE became a revolutionary resistance faction.

The DRE in exile was dedicated to activities that could foment clandestine movements against the communist ideology of the Revolution. The mission of the organization was to make trips to the island with the aim of starting clandestine movements against the communist ideology established in Cuba. The group’s most common activities included infiltration on the island, sabotage, TV and radio programming, propaganda campaigns to save the lives of the political prisoners Alberto Muller and Miguel García Armengol. The DRE established chapters in various US and Latin American countries to extend their reach.

As part of their propaganda efforts, DRE in exile published many pamphlets for distribution in Cuba and throughout Latin America and the US. The organization also published several newsletters and newspapers, including Cuban Report, DRE Boletín Informativo, Entre Nosotros, and Trinchera.
Scope and content

The Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil en el Exilio (DRE) Records include administrative files, correspondence, clippings, propaganda, subject files, and photographs created, collected, or published by the DRE in exile.

Notes

Title notes

Immediate source of acquisition

Gift of Juan M. Salvat, Alberto Muller, and Luis Fernández Rocha, 1996.

Arrangement

The Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil en el Exilio (DRE) Records are organized into five series. Please see the Container List section of this guide for more detailed information.

Restrictions on access

This collection is open for research. Membership records and spy files are restricted for 75 years from their creation.

Conditions governing use

Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil en el Exilio (DRE) Records Finding Aid
Requests to publish or display materials from this collection require written permission from the rights owner. Please, contact chc@miami.edu for more information.

Related material

Complete lists of separated materials are on file in the Cuban Heritage Collection.
The following periodical titles were removed from the DRE Records and incorporated in the Cuban Heritage Collection’s Cuban Exile Periodicals collection:
Boletín Informativo de Cuba
Boletín DRE: Órgano informativo del DRE de Cuba. Delegación México.
The Cuban Report
D.R.E Cuban Student Directorate
Jóvenes
Trinchera
Trinchera (clandestine edition)
The DRE Records included various posters published by OCLAE in Cuba. These have been integrated in the Cuban Heritage Collection’s Poster Collection. Pamphlets published by the DRE in exile were removed from the DRE Records and now form part of the CHC Pamphlets collection. Selected pamphlets published about Cuba or by other Cuban organizations have also been integrated in the Pamphlets collection. A second group of pamphlets remains with the collection and can be accessed through Series 6, Pamphlets, in the Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil en el Exilio (DRE) Records.

Alberto Müller Collection (CHC0140), Cuban Heritage Collection, University of Miami Libraries
Alpha 66 Records (CHC5157), Cuban Heritage Collection, University of Miami Libraries
José Miró Cardona Papers (CHC5122), Cuban Heritage Collection, University of Miami Libraries

Other notes
- Publication status: Published
- Description identifier: ArchonInternalCollectionID:148

Access points

- Communism -- Cuba (subject)
- Exiles -- Florida -- Miami-Dade County -- Political activity (subject)
- Political refugees (subject)
- Cuba -- Politics and government -- 1959-1990 (place)
- Cuba -- Politics and government -- 1990- (place)

Series descriptions

Series id6537: Administrative Files
Date: n.d., 1960-1989 (date of creation)

Scope and content:
This series includes administrative records of DRE units, delegation files, and membership records. The latter are restricted for 75 years from their creation. financial inscription membership forms, financial records, memorabilia, etc. about the management and internal affairs of the organization.

Physical description: 22 boxes (boxes 1-22)

Arrangement:
Alphabetical order

Publication status:
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<th>Series id6538: Correspondence</th>
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<td><strong>Scope and content:</strong></td>
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<td>This series contains correspondence and memorandum to and from the organization.</td>
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<td><strong>Physical description:</strong> 12 boxes (boxes 23-34)</td>
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<td><strong>Arrangement:</strong></td>
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<td>Chronological order within alphabetical order by place.</td>
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<th>Series id6539: Political Activity and Propaganda Files</th>
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<td>This series contains files that include proclamations (broadside) and circulars, clippings, posters, reports, audiovisual materials, articles, etc. about anti-communist propaganda campaigns in and outside of Cuba. The series also includes plans and strategy reports, intelligence reports (many of them sent to the CIA). Periodicals titles published by DRE, such as Trinchera and Cuban Report have been removed from this collection and added to the Cuban Heritage Collection’s Cuban Exile Periodicals collection, and DRE pamphlets have been integrated with the CHC Pamphlets Collection.</td>
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<td><strong>Physical description:</strong> 16 boxes (boxes 35-50) and two oversize items</td>
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This series contains files that include articles, clippings, and pamphlets organized by subjects primarily relating to Cuba, Cubans, and Cuban exiles.

Physical description: 14 boxes (boxes 51-64) and one oversize item

Arrangement:
Alphabetically within four sub-series

Publication status:
Published

File / item list

Subseries id6541: Associations
Date: n.d., 1960-1996 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
Alphabetical

Publication status:
Published

File / item list

Subseries id6542: Individuals
Date: n.d., 1960-1978 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
Alphabetical

Publication status:
Published

File / item list

Subseries id6543: Congresses and Events
Date: 1960-1969 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
Subseries id6544: Other Topics
Date: n.d., 1960-1979 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
Alphabetical

Publication status:
Published

Scope and content:
This series contains photographs related to the organization events, congresses and demonstrations, political and military activities, individuals and groups portraits; reel-to-reel audio recordings; and memorabilia.

Physical description: Three boxes (boxes 65-67), 29 sound recordings, and two oversize items

Arrangement:
Alphabetical

Publication status:
Published

Subseries id6545: Photographs, Audiovisual Material, and Memorabilia
Date: n.d., 1960-1969 (date of creation)

Scope and content:
This series contains photographs related to the organization events, congresses and demonstrations, political and military activities, individuals and groups portraits; reel-to-reel audio recordings; and memorabilia.

Physical description: Three boxes (boxes 65-67), 29 sound recordings, and two oversize items

Arrangement:
Alphabetical in three sub-series

Publication status:
Published

Subseries id6546: Photographs
Date: n.d., 1960-1969 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
Subseries id6547: Audiovisual material

Date: n.d., 1964-1967 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
  Alphabetical

Publication status:
  Published

Subseries id6548: Memorabilia

Date: n.d, 1962 (date of creation)

Arrangement:
  Alphabetical

Publication status:
  Published

Series id81196: Pamphlets

Date: circa 1960s-1970s (date of creation)

Scope and content:
  Series 6 contains pamphlets collected by the Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil en el Exilio (DRE) organization. All of the pamphlets in this series are pamphlets that have not already been separated and cataloged in the CHC Pamphlets collection.

Publication status:
  Published