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Alpha 66 Records

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Summary information

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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The Cuban exile paramilitary organization known as Alpha 66 was first organized and founded in Puerto Rico in 1961 with 66 men. The group was created with the intention of maintaining the fighting spirit of the Cuban people after the Bay of Pigs Invasion. General Secretary Andrés Nazario Sargén was a founder of Alpha 66 along with other prominent anti-communist fighters such as his older brother Aurelio Nazario, Eloy Gutiérrez Menoyo and Antonio Veciana.

Other organizations joined this armed struggle against Cuban communism, and thus began the first movements and incursions into the Cuban coast. In 1962, the Second Escambray Front (Segundo Frente del Escambray – SFE) and Alpha 66 became one, with Veciana as a coordinator and Gutiérrez Menoyo in charge of the military training. Later, Alpha 66 joined forces with the Revolutionary Movement of the People (Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo – MRP) in the Revolutionary Alliance (Alianza Revolucionaria).

In 1964, the Revolutionary Alliance executed “Plan Omega” that involved situating a well-equipped guerrilla force inside Cuba. Delegations from California, Florida, New York, Puerto Rico and Venezuela assembled a War Council carrying out propaganda and finance operations with the slogan, “El Plan Omega está en marcha” (“The Omega Plan is in motion”). The central goal was to overthrow the Castro regime in Cuba.

“El Plan Omega” failed, and Ernesto Díaz, Pedro Rodríguez, and Eloy Gutiérrez Menoyo, were captured along with three other Alpha officers: Domingo Ortega, Ramón Quesada Gómez, and Noel Salas Santos. After their capture, broadcast and propaganda campaigns were launched to gain release for these political prisoners. Their failure and imprisonment affected many of the rebel groups in Cuba and the Cuban exile community as a whole. The previously fiery enthusiasm diminished, and the Revolutionary Alliance split up, reduced once again to merely The Second Escambray Front and Alpha 66.

In 1965 El Correo, Alpha 66’s bulletin, announced that the new commander in chief would be Dr. Armando Fleites Díaz, who was dedicated to continuing the fight and rebuilding military strength. The renewed force initiated new paramilitary campaigns and fundraising for ships and military and radio equipment. Alpha 66 persisted in organizing and executing military operations, sabotages, and creating clandestine cells on the island. Many officers and members were killed during these infiltrations. In 1970 Coronel Vicente Méndez died in combat, and Aurelio Nazario was captured and executed.

After the 1970s, Alpha 66 restructured its underground network. New members were recruited and political activities implemented. The organization established the “Plan Máximo Gómez” in 1980 to promote internal destabilization in Cuba. As of 2010, Alpha 66 continued to operate from its headquarters in Miami, continuing to advocate for an armed civil uprising in Cuba.

Scope and content

The Alpha 66 Records document the political, propaganda, paramilitary, and administrative activities of the organization as collected by Andrés Nazario Sargén, one of its founders and longtime leaders. The Records include correspondence, circular letters, financial records, clippings, maps, photographs, press releases, proclamations, programs, propaganda, and reports.

Notes

Title notes

Immediate source of acquisition

Gift of Andrés Nazario Sargén, 2004.

Arrangement

The Alpha 66 Records are organized into five series. Please see the "Detailed Description" and "Box and Folder Listing" sections for more information.

Restrictions on access

This collection is open for research. Access to Boxes 19 and 20 is restricted until 2038.

Conditions governing use

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Related material

Pamphlets and periodicals were separated from the Records for cataloging. Inquire at the Cuban Heritage Collection Reading Room desk or to chc@miami.edu for more information. Periodical titles include:

Alpha 66 1981-1982

Alpha 66: Boletín para Cuba n.d., 1975, 1977

Alpha 66: Cuadernos políticos No. 1

Alpha: Organo Oficial de Alpha 66, 1979

Alpha 66: News Bulletin. Juventud de Alpha 66, 1972

Antorcha: Buro Estudiantil de la Alianza Revolucionaria 1963-1964

Boletín "El Correo"

El Combate: Delegación San Juan, Puerto Rico n.d., 1972

El Combatiente: Organo oficial del Alpha 66. Delegación de New York, n.d.

Entrega Semanal: Alianza Revolucionaria. Delegaciones Venezuela, 1963-1964

El Grito de Intransigencia (Comisión Unitaria Básica de Acción, Alianza Revolucionaria, Alpha 66)

El Mensaje: Organo Oficial de Alpha 66 para Cuba, 1979

News from Cuba: Alianza Revolucionaria, n.d., 1963-1964

Organo Oficial de las delegaciones del Norte del Alpha 66

Patrocinadores de la Libertad Alpha 66 n.d.

Resurgir/ Delegación Santa Clara, Ca. , 1977- 1978

Retaguardia: Sección Femenina, Alianza Revolucionaria, 1964

Accruals

Materials added by gift of Olga Nazario, 2005.

Other notes

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Access points

- Alpha 66 (Organization)
- Documents (documentary form)
- Letters (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Military organizations -- Cuba (subject)

Series descriptions

Series id121094: Correspondence

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