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Hugo Romeu, the Cuban born but ~~was~~ educated U.S. army deserter who surfaced in Havana on August 11 after being granted asylum here, ^{at a press conference in Havana,} insisted in the face of denials by the U.S. government, that he was a ~~xxxxxxx~~ medical captain before his desertion. Here is the item:

~~The xxxxxxxx~~

The thirty one year old deserter who arrived in the United States in 1960 when he was five years old said he joined the U.S. army last year and as a licensed physician ~~x~~ was ~~given~~ ~~xxxx~~ ~~xxxx~~ made a captain. He said that the U.S. army claim that he was only a private can be easily disproven since, ~~xxxx~~ ~~xxxx~~ as an army pathologist at the fither gernal hospital in Stuttgart, Germany he signed many autopsy reports and death certificates between July 1985 and May 1986.

His troubles began, he said, ~~xxxxxxx~~ because of an army recruitment drive to send hispanic soliders and officers to central america. He said he refused to sign up because he ~~didn't~~ did not want to take part in any U.S. agressions against hispanics.

From then on, he says he was life was made miserable.

Romeu: The final outcome was lost of rank, restriction to the post and with that I mean I was allowed to go eat and to go ~~to~~ to church if desired.

Romeu says he made contact with the Cuban embassy in Bonn, and was granted asylum but would not reveal the route he used to arrive in Cuba.

for cbc news this is Lionel Martin in havana.

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