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CUBAN NEWSPAPER LAUNCHES ANOTHER ATTACK ON DISSIDENT

HAVANA, MARCH 19, REUTER - FOR THE SECOND DAY IN A ROW, THE OFFICIAL COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER, GRANMA, DEVOTED TWO OF ITS EIGHT PAGES TO A BITING ATTACK ON THE CUBAN DISSIDENT, RICARDO BOFILL, THE LEADER OF A SELF-STYLED HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE IN HAVANA.

SATURDAY'S ATTACK, ENTITLED *ANATOMY OF A CHEAT*, PRESENTS DOCUMENTS ALLEGEDLY WRITTEN BY BOFILL WITH SHORT COMMENTS ON EACH BY GRANMA.

THE DOCUMENTS ARE PRINTED ALONGSIDE PHOTOS OF EXCERPTS, APPARENTLY HANDWRITTEN BY BOFILL HIMSELF. GRANMA SAID THAT THE AUTHENTICITY OF THE DOCUMENTS COULD BE CONFIRMED BY HANDWRITING EXPERTS.

USING A SARCASTIC TONE, THE COMMENTS PORTRAY BOFILL AS AN UNSTABLE PERSON WITH AN INSACIABLE EGO, WHO CONTRADICTS HIMSELF ANDIS READY TO BETRAY HIS FRIENDS.

IN A TELEPHONE CALL TO THE REUTER OFFICE SATURDAY, BOFILL SAID THAT HE FEARED LEAVING HIS HOUSE BECAUSE OF INCIDENTS WHICH TOOK PLACED AFTER THE FIRST ARTICLE WAS PRINTED ON FRIDAY. HE SAID THAT FRIDAY AFTERNOON HE WAS RECOGNIZED WHILE WALKING DOWN A STREET AND WAS FOLLOWED BY A CROWD THAT SHOUTED EPITHETS AT HIM. HE SAID THAT HE WAS NOT TOUCHED BY ANYBODY IN THE CROWD.

ONE OF THE DOCUMENTS REPRODUCED IN SATURDAY'S GRANMA IS ADDRESSED TO GENERAL FABIAN ESCALONA OF THE CUBAN MINISTRY OF INTERIOR. DATED JUNE 19, 1981, IT CALLS THE COMBINADO DEL ESTE PRISON WHERE BOFILL WAS SERVING TIME *A MODEL* AND ASSERTS THAT *FULL RESPECT FOR THE DIGNITY OF MAN* IS OBSERVED BY PRISON OFFICIALS.

GRANMA QUOTES A DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTED BY BOFILL TO INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES IN HAVANA ON MARCH 12 OF THIS YEAR IN WHICH HE SPEAKS OF SERIOUS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AT THE SAME PRISON.

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THE SAME 1980 DOCUMENT SPEAKS OF *THE GLORIOUS LEADERS OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.* RECENT REPORTS OF BOFILL'S COMMITTEE SPEAK OF *THE REGIME OF TERROR OF FIDEL CASTRO.*
ANOTHER DOCUMENT ATTACKS ARMANDO VALLADARES, PRESENT U.S.

AMBASSADOR TO THE U.N. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE IN GENEVAR AS *REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MOST REACTIONARY FORCES OF THE COUNTERREVOLUTION.* THE DOCUMENT, DATED AUGUST 1980 WAS ALLEGEDLY SENT BY BOFILL TO THE *REEDUCATOR* AT THE COMBINADO DEL ESTE PRISON WHERE BOTH HE AND VALLADARES WERE SERVING TERMS.
VALLADARES LEFT CUBA IN 1983 AFTER SERVING TWENTY YEARS IN CUBAN JAILS ON THE CHARGE OF HAVING BELONGED TO A ANTI-CASTRO ACTION GROUP IN 1960.
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