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1. The best organized underground groups in Cuba, as of mid-September 1961, were the following:
 - a. The Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP), is directed in Cuba by Reynol GONZALEZ, a Catholic; this group is now completely separated from Manolo RAY's group. In contrast to the other groups listed below, which span only a province or certain towns, this is organized on a national scale. All the Catholic groups, such as the Juventud Estudiantil Catolica and the Juventud Obrera Catolica, are integrated into the MRP under GONZALEZ. Former Major Jose Antonio DUARTE Cropesa, who has some followers within the MRP, still favors RAY and is not working with GONZALEZ.
 - b. The 30 de Noviembre ^{MOVEMENT} group is large; this group is removing Carlos RODRIGUEZ from his position as co-ordinator in Miami.
 - c. The Unidad Revolucionaria is small but active.

2. In general, the underground groups in Cuba are not united, although they co-operate with each other sometimes. The underground lacks money, arms, and sabotage material. Money that becomes available to them is used for getting members out of Cuba or is sent to members in asylum in embassies in Habana.

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