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Guatemalan Who Aided CIA Now Seeking Help

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Roberto Alejos, the man who provided the Central Intelligence Agency with training areas in Guatemala for the Bay of Pigs invasion, is appealing to the Organization of American States to help end the exile into which he has been cast by the present military government of Guatemala.

Alejos appeared yesterday before the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights, headed by Manuel Blachi of Chile, to ask intercession on his behalf with the government of Col. Enrique Peralta Azurdia.

The wealthy 43-year-old Guatemalan politician and landowner told reporters after the OAS session that he has been living in exile in Miami since shortly after the Peralta coup d'etat in March, 1963.

He said he was seized when he tried to return to Guatemala last May and was held prisoner for two days before being flown to Nicaragua in a military plane. Alejos said he believes the Peralta government wanted him out of the country because he was one of the candidates for the presidency in the November, 1963, election canceled by the Peralta coup.

Alejos declared the junta that overthrew the government of Miguel Ydigoras Fuentes and now rules without a constitution is acting in an "iron-fisted and arbitrary manner, persecuting political adversaries and grossly denying the Guatemalan people their essential rights."

He said the Guatemalans must be given their rights of free speech, assembly, home inviolability, petition and fair trial if the nation is to return to constitutional order.

The United States extended recognition to the Peralta regime a few weeks after the

revolution. Peralta has promised Guatemala a new constitution by March 15 and elections six months after that.

Alejos declared it is a mistake to recognize any military regime anywhere in the world. There will never be any order he said, if "every little man in uniform" can disrupt a legal government by force of arms.

He said his large coffee plantation, "Helvetia," the training ground used by the anti-Castro Brigade 2506 before the Bay of Pigs invasion, has been sold, but he believed anti-Castro commando forces are using other properties of his in Guatemala for training.

Other anti-Castro Cubans are training on property of the ruling Somoza family.

Alejos said he is now in the construction business in Miami.

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