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2. According to AMJUTE-1's source, the old military groups have been organized and now have approximately 10,000 men on whom they can rely in the future to actively oppose Fidel CASTRO. These men are alleged to be free of the taint of BATISTA but were enlisted in the military during the BATISTA regime. The organization of the group has been handled in part by Ex-Lt. VASALLO (fnu), whom AMJUTE-1 describes as an efficient organizer but lacks the stature for real leadership.

3. AMJUTE-1 said that some time ago this military group sent an unidentified representative to Miami to contact Antonio VARONA and offer him the support of their military group. VARONA is allegedly reported to have said that this group would be a valuable addition to the anti-CASTRO forces in the "Blocke." (Undoubtedly is referring to the FDR). However, VARONA is alleged to have told the representative that Lt. VASALLO was not completely acceptable to the "Blocke" because while a good organizer he did not have the backing and stature needed to represent the military group in the "Blocke".

4. Subsequently, the various military groups are alleged to have agreed to have Ex-Lt. Col. Enrique Perez MONTROYA represent them in the "Blocke". AMJUTE-1 said that MONTROYA's name has been submitted to the "Blocke" but that to date no word has been received from the "Blocke" as to whether MONTROYA is acceptable to them and will be given a position of representation in the "Blocke" or not. MONTROYA was described as an ex-military man who served under Col. TABERNILLA and was asked to retire during BATISTA's time because of his unwillingness to compromise his integrity in acts of corruption and graft.

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6. AMJUTE-1 said that HEVIA told him that all the various military groups are now waiting for acknowledgement from the executive committee of the "Bloque" that they agreed upon representative MONTROYA is acceptable. HEVIA said that the military groups were in possession of some arms and ammunition but lacked supplies for a full scale operation.

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