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About 1,500 inmates of the "Circulares" No. 1 and 2 of the Isle of Pines prison, the majority of whom belong to the Movimiento de Recuperacion Revolucionaria (MRR, Movement for Revolutionary Recovery), which is headed by Manuel Artime Buesa, have been condemned to hard labor, constructing highways and fortifications on the Isle of Pines. This action apparently is in retaliation for the MRR attack on the Cabo Cruz sugar mill in the Port of Pilon, Oriente Province. The prisoners have also been denied any form of communication with their families.

[Redacted] Comment. The informant described the condemned inmates as a select group of Cuba's youth whose behavior in prison has been heroic.

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