

Spies and Gossip

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The trial being followed in Miami, against a group of agents from Castro's tyranny that are accused of spying for the same, offers many details about the modus operandi of those engaged in this detestable work.

I want to refer to one of the details, which should be the least surprising of all. It was revealed that one of the tasks of the agents of Fidel Castro in Miami is handling the exile "weeds," to promote conflict and counterproductive reactions ... nothing new. After all it was already enshrined in ancient times, as Machiavelli consecrated what the devil has known since Cain and Abel: "divide and conquer."

This is not irrelevant because of its simplicity. To the contrary, far from all paranoia and solely based on facts provided by official agencies of the United States government, we must remember that thousands of people in this country work for the regime in Havana in one form or another, in undeclared functions that focus on the most populated places of those in exile.

Have you ever wondered what tasks are assigned to Castro's agents who move amongst us? Certainly there are no guerrillas of the bearded one in those lares, and although they have sometimes resorted to terrorism, this is not an everyday thing. We know of some whose task is to seek funds to establish a business with the aim of violating the embargo and sending the profits to the island. It is clear that there are other tasks, such as promoting the regime's public objectives — the repeal of the Cuban Adjustment Act, for example — in which the visible agents shake hands with the useful idiots.

But what do they do, how do the hundreds or thousands of undeclared agents — that pose as being anti-Castro — spend their time? Well, if they are not planting bombs in Miami every day — and they are not — nor are they killing leaders of anti-Castro organizations — and they are not — nor are most of them making major financial transactions for the dictatorship — and they are not — it leaves us thinking they dedicated to the labor of undermining, which has been the task of these elements ever the first borders were drawn on the surface of the earth.

They are the ones that defame, discredit and slander the exile who stands out positively. The ones that gossip and spread rumors from organization to organization, and radio station to radio station. Those who say to one that the other said... those who take extreme positions and cast doubt on the patriotism of all others. Those that pit one leader against another, those who "light fires" between a commentator and another, who encourage rivalry amongst our pilgrim struggle for power that does not exist.

Let me tell you that the task is easy for Castro's agents. They have the raw product of the poor human condition. They rely on the other hand on the envy and disrespect of others honored, that is a curse of our race and our tongue, that with much irresponsibility many lend themselves to, to assist them in completing their job.

This is how the Foundation, the Patriotic Forum, the Board, the human rights groups and all other anti-Castro organizations are attacked, the same way Fidel Castro does. Thus, through gossip and defamation from within groups that could have been effective against

Castro, just as Castro would like. This is how the past of others is continually being reviewed, by throwing suspicion on dissidents and asking them to account for themselves, just as Fidel Castro would like. This is how Radio Martí's cannons are lined up, and how compatriots are blamed for bastard motivations for trying to do something positive for Cuba, just as Fidel Castro likes. No reputation is safe, there is no respectable history for Castro's agents, nor for the gossiping exile.

We shouldn't be going about this in a small way, no. If the agents are detestable —Fidel's spies — more detestable and stupid as well, are the ones that, being anti-Castro or pretending to be, are contributing so effectively with their poisonous tongue to the work of undermining, whose only benefit is to the tyrant himself.

We have been at this for 42 years. Could it be just, that our penance is in our sin?