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On Feb. 14, Manolo Rodriguez, representative in Costa Rica for the Committee for Human Rights in Cuba, told reporters that six Cuban nationals had entered Costa Rica from Nicaraguan territory and requested political asylum. Two were physicians who had worked for the last 18 months in Nicaragua and the other four were members of a family with relatives in Nicaragua. Rodriguez said the Cubans cited increased repression against political opponents and lack of personal freedoms in Cuba as their reasons for seeking asylum. He added that since November 1991, 14 Cubans have requested political asylum in Cuba. (Basic data from Agencia Centroamericana de Noticias-Spanish news service EFE, 02/14/92)

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