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UN SECRETARY GENERAL ARRIVES IN HAVANA

FL282051 [Editorial Report] Havana Television Service in Spanish at 1912 GMT on 28 May begins live coverage of UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar's arrival in Havana. A small twin-engine jet plane is seen taxiing down the runway at Havana's Jose Marti International Airport.

The announcer says Perez de Cuellar's accompanying delegation is composed of his wife, Marcela Perez de Cuellar, and UN officials Norberto Gonzalez, executive secretary for Latin America and the Caribbean; Alvaro de Soto, secretary general's special assistant; Perez de Cuellar's spokesperson (Francois Julianni), and (Frances Bendrell), senior official for political affairs of the UN Department of Political Affairs, Administration, Trusteeship, and Decolonization.

Cuban President Fidel Castro and Vilma Espin, alternate Politburo member, are seen walking toward the plane. Perez de Cuellar walks down the plane's ramp and embraces Castro. The camera pans the crowd gathered at the terminal building. They are seen waving Cuban and UN flags and chanting Perez de Cuellar's name.

Fidel Castro and Perez de Cuellar take their positions on the tarmac and the band plays the Cuban anthem. Castro and Perez de Cuellar proceed to review the honor guard while the band plays military marches. They then shake hands with members of the government and diplomatic corps standing in the receiving line. The announcer identified Politburo members Juan Almeida Bosque, Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, Sergio del Valle, and Armando Hart, and Central Committee member Isidoro Malmierca.

As the ceremony ends, the honor guard passes review in front of Fidel Castro and Javier Perez de Cuellar. At 1928 GMT, the Cuban head of state and UN secretary general enter a limousine, and are seen driving away as coverage ends.

Places Floral Wreath

FL290320 Havana Television Service in Spanish 0000 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] Shortly after his arrival, UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar placed a floral wreath at the base of the monument to Jose Marti, in Revolutionary Square. Dr Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, vice president of the Councils of State and Ministers, attended the ceremony.

Begins Official Talks

FL290400 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 0255 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] Commander in Chief Fidel Castro, president of the Councils of State and Ministers, and Mr Javier Perez de Cuellar, secretary general of the United Nations, presided over the beginning of the official talks held this evening in the Palace of the Revolution, in the capital.

The president of the Councils of State and Ministers of Cuba expressed the satisfaction of the Cuban Government and people at Perez de Cuellar's visit, and Cuban appreciation for his work as UN secretary general. He also mentioned the support Cuba gives to the activities of the United Nations. Fidel also acknowledged Perez de Cuellar's efforts to strengthen international peace and security and establish a more just international economic order.

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Javier Perez de Cuellar expressed his gratitude for the friendship and hospitality he received upon his arrival in Havana earlier this afternoon.

Castro Attends Reception

FL290510 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 0455 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] Commander in Chief Fidel Castro, president of the Councils of State and Ministers, headed the group of high-level government officials who attended the reception given tonight by the Cuban Government in honor of Javier Perez de Cuellar, secretary general of the United Nations. A large group representing the diplomatic corps attended the reception, which was held in the Palace of the Revolution.

Visits Isle of Youth

FL291652 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1600 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar arrived today on the Isle of Youth accompanied by Commander in Chief Fidel Castro Ruz, president of the Councils of State and Ministers. They were welcomed at the airport by Armando Manresa, alternate member of the Central Committee and Isle of Youth party first secretary, and by other leaders of the people's government and mass organizations.

During their stay on the Isle of Youth, the visitors will tour places of historic, economic, and social interest, including a basic secondary school in the countryside.

Perez de Cuellar arrived in Cuba yesterday, at the invitation of Fidel Castro.

Comments on Namibia

FL292253 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 2130 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] UN Secretary General Mr Javier Perez de Cuellar has said it is a sacred duty for him and the organization which he heads to continue working for Namibia's independence. Perez de Cuellar, Commander in Chief Fidel Castro, other UN officials and Cuban Government officials, briefly addressed Namibian students of the (Hendrich Whitboy) basic secondary school in the countryside on the Isle of Youth.

RISQUET ADDRESSES MEDAL WINNERS IN ANGOLA

PA290215 Havana International Service in Spanish 0000 GMT 27 May 85

[Text] Some 300 Cuban workers were presented with the Internationalist Medal last Saturday in Luanda, the capital of Angola, on the occasion of Africa Day. The ceremony was attended by Jorge Risquet, a member of the Politburo of the Communist Party of Cuba, who underlined the struggle of the Angolan people against Portuguese colonialism and the subsequent combat in which they shattered the myth of the invincibility of South African troops, with their victory over them on 27 March 1976. But that victory, Risquet noted, did not mean peace for the Angolan people but the beginning of the third war of liberation.

The Cuban leader pointed out that the recent success of the Angolan Armed Forces in defeating a South African band trying to sabotage oil installations in Cabinda is the most eloquent and heroic tribute to the African people on the eve of their day of the 22d anniversary of the founding of the OAU.

Later, the Cuban ambassador in Luanda, Rodolfo Puentes Ferro, read a message from Fidel Castro to his Angolan counterpart, Jose Eduardo dos Santos, on the occasion. In the message, the top Cuban leader reiterated his support for Angolan proposals to find a just, acceptable solution to the conflict of southwest Africa.

Salutes Combined Brigade

FL291900 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1404 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] Party Politburo and Secretariat member Jorge Risquet has saluted Cuban-Angolan wood-cutting brigade for its achievements in the (Maiombi) Jungle. Risquet rewarded them with a banner for achieving extraordinary results in a simple but moving ceremony in the area where the brigade works. The (Hernando Milan) International Contingent composed of 500 Cuban workers and about the same number of Angolans work the immense forest reserves of the (Caivilda) Province in Angola. The contingent began its productive campaign during mid-May, after the rainy season ended. The wood-cutting brigade one of four in (Maiombi), cut 5,000 cubic meters of wood in 13 days. A month had been allotted to cut that amount.

In observance of Forestry Workers Day on 21 June, the brigade pledged to reach the second goal, 10,000 cubic meters. The general impression is that it will surpass that goal and could reach its third goal during that time.

Jorge Risquet said any brigade that cuts 25,000 cubic meters by 20 July would be quickly transferred from (Maiombi) to Havana so its members can participate in the 26 July Guantanamo festivities, in honor of the unparalleled achievements that they will have accomplished.

VEIGA ANNOUNCES LABOR CONFERENCE ON DEBT

FL291820 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1700 GMT 29 May 85

[Summary] Roberto Viega, alternate member of the Politburo and secretary general of the Central Organization of Cuban Trade Unions, has announced that a trade union conference of Latin American and Caribbean workers would be held from 15 to 17 July in Havana. The conference will deal exclusively with the foreign debt crisis.

FOREIGN MINISTER TO TRAVEL TO VENEZUELA

FL291556 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1000 GMT 29 May 85

[Text] Press and diplomatic sources in Caracas have reported that Cuban Foreign Minister Ididoro Malmierca will travel to Venezuela next week on an unofficial visit to participate in an international symposium. The symposium entitled Education for Peace was organized by the Newman Foundation and the University of Peace, founded by the UN. The Caracas press pointed out that a meeting is predicted between Malmierca and his Venezuelan counterpart Simon Alberto Consalvi [as heard] to discuss bilateral relations.

CEMA ATOMIC ENERGY COOPERATION MEETING OPENS

FL282223 Havana Television Service in Spanish 1700 GMT 28 May 85

[Text] The 48th meeting of the CEMA Permanent Commission for Cooperation in the Peaceful Use of Atomic Energy has opened in Havana. Commission Chairman Adronik Petrosyants talked about the importance of the atom for the benefit of man, especially in the medical sciences.

Fidel Castro Diaz, executive secretary of Cuba's Atomic Energy Commission, provided details on the development of this activity in our country, now on its 25th year.

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MB011001 Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese
 1900 GMT 30 Apr 85

[Text] Yesterday Comrade Jose Eduardo dos Santos, President of the People's Republic of Angola, published three decrees which we read now:

For service and using the powers invested in me by Article 53, Line E of the Angolan Constitution, I appoint Comrade Manuel Pedro Pacavira, a member of the MPLA Central Committee, as the new extraordinary and plenipotentiary ambassador of Angola to the Republic of Cuba.

To be published.
 Offices of the President of the People's Republic of Angola, 29 April 1985.

[Signed] President of the Republic, Jose Eduardo dos Santos.

For service and using the powers invested in me by Article 53, Line B of the Angolan Constitution, I appoint Comrade Daniel Celestino Sampaio as an assistant commissar for Huila Province.

To be published.
 Offices of the President of the People's Republic of Angola, on 29 April 1985.

[Signed] President of Republic, Jose Eduardo dos Santos.

For service and using the powers invested in me by Article 53, Line B of the Angolan Constitution, I appoint Comrade Carlos Alberto dos Santos as an assistant commissar for Huila Province.

To be published.
 Offices of the President of the People's Republic of Angola, on 29 April 1985.

[Signed] President of the Republic, Jose Eduardo dos Santos.

UNITA Issues Communique for 11-12 Apr Actions
MB011049 (Clandestine) Voice of Resistance of the Black Cockerel in Portuguese to Angola 0430 GMT 1 May 85

["War" communique issued by the UNITA general staff on 15 April — place not given]

[Text] On 11-12 April, UNITA forces successfully assaulted the enemy barracks of (Mulhange) annihilating two battalions of the 72d MPLA Brigade and two commando companies of the 10th military region 21 km west of (Sundo) in Huila Province [as heard].

The enemy barracks of Massingo in Malanje Province, a battalion of the 31st MPLA Brigade located 14 km north of Cerca [as heard] in Luanda Province, and a column of 17 military vehicles on the Lobito-Novo Redondo Road in (Canjala) area in Benguela Province were also attacked. In this last attack, Captain Moura dos Santos was killed.

During these clashes UNITA forces killed 181 FAPLA soldiers and 4 Cubans, and captured 7 FAPLA soldiers. UNITA forces captured 273 weapons, 145,000 rounds of ammunition, 672 (?shells), destroyed (?25) vehicles, and released 6,950 civilians. UNITA forces suffered 5 dead, 11 wounded, and 1 missing. One weapon is also missing.

Signed: Brigadier Alberto Joaquim Vinama Chendovava, Chief of UNITA General Staff.

BOTSWANA

BNF Leader Comments on Government Allegations
MB011632 London BBC World Service in English
 1615 GMT 30 Apr 85

[From the "Focus on Africa" program]

[Text] Following last year's elections in Botswana there has been perhaps more political mudslinging than since independence. There have been rows over the conduct of the elections, which is one case the opposition successfully disputed. The government hit back by accusing the main opposition, Botswana National Front, BNF, of getting secret backing from neighboring South Africa and of holding clandestine meetings with an official from the Bophutatswana homeland that borders on Botswana. In Gaborone, Aida Brako asked Dr Kenneth Koma, leader of the National Front, what he made of that allegation:

[Begin recording] [Koma] It is not true at all. I don't know whether you ... [changes thought] where you get that information. The allegations were made by my opponent, the vice president, Mr Peter Mmusi, and what happened is that at one time we saw a man who was the director of the Bophutatswana agricultural development cooperation. And when he first contacted Mr Mmusi himself, saw the permanent secretaries of three ministries, and then came to us to get information about agricultural policies, and he showed us his credentials. Therefore we had some discussions with him on the issues of agriculture and his experience and his views of what could be done. That was all that we had and nothing else. We didn't get any money from him. We were not talking about the money, we were just talking about the probabilities of developing Botswana in agriculture.

[Brako] Now, is this man involved in any business with the BNF?

[Koma] Not at all. We had seen the man for the first time. We didn't know him at all.

[Brako] Why then did the government associate you, the BNF, with the South African man, when he actually came to see government officials?

[Koma] We don't know. Maybe they knew, maybe they had the information that he was a spy. I don't know, but that's the only connection we have had with him and we never met him again.

[Brako] Now, during the elections you did make mention of signing an accord with South Africa should your party win. Isn't



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DOMINICAN POLICE DISPERSE STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS

PA210400 Havana International Service in Spanish 1600 GMT 20 Apr 85

[Text] The police force in Santo Domingo violently broke up a student demonstration that was demanding from the Dominican Government an increase in the funds assigned to the state's university. As a result of the clash between the police and students, several students were injured by tear gas bomb fragments. It was also learned that in Mao, a town northwest of Santo Domingo, the police broke up another student demonstration that was asking the government to sever its ties with the IMF. Meanwhile, more than 300 doctors from the Salvador Gautier State Hospital staged a 12-hour strike to demand from the Dominican Government more jobs, wage increases, and funds for health care. The doctors from the Francisco Moscoso Puello Hospital also stopped working to make similar demands.

WORKERS IN ANGOLA RECEIVE INTERNATIONALIST MEDAL

PA170310 Havana International Service in Spanish 1600 GMT 15 Apr 85

[Text] A total of 175 Cubans in Luanda, capital of Angola, received the Internationalist Worker Medal, awarded by the Cuban Government to those who have done outstanding work abroad.

Rodolfo Fuentes Ferro, alternate member of the Communist Party of Cuba Central Committee and Cuban ambassador to Angola, said those who received the medals are genuine representatives of the people and of the principles of Marxism-Leninism.

RAUL CASTRO PRAISES DEFENSE EFFORTS

FL221436 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1045 GMT 22 Apr 85

[Text] Army General Raul Castro has sent a congratulatory message to Venezuela municipality in Ciego de Avila Province on the occasion of it being proclaimed ready for defense.

The letter sent by the party Central Committee second secretary and FAR minister acknowledges this municipality's extraordinary efforts in defense preparations under the party's guidance.

Army General Raul Castro's letter addressed to Evelio Cordero, party first secretary in Venezuela municipality, says: On behalf of the Commander in Chief and myself we congratulate you and all Venezuela's men, women, and children and wish you success in the accomplishment of more tasks in strengthening the territory's defense capabilities.

RODRIGUEZ CLOSES YOUNG ATTORNEYS MEETING

FL221630 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1000 GMT 22 Apr 85

[Text] Politburo member Carlos Rafael Rodriguez gave the closing remarks at the first meeting of young attorneys held on the Isle of Youth. Rodriguez, who is also vice president of the Councils of State and Ministers, said matters related to revolutionary law were discussed at the meeting, the problems of childhood and adolescence, technical and professional training of lawyers, and pre-professional practice in the field, among them.

Carlos Rafael also talked about the importance of the judicial work, not only in the struggle against all crime but in economic matters as well.

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Defense Minister Visits Zambia, Tanzania

*MB070950 Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese 0700 GMT
7 Apr 85*

[Text] Colonel Pedro Maria Tonha Pedale, the Angolan defense minister, yesterday began an official visit to Zambia, following which he will also visit Tanzania.

Before leaving the country, Col Pedro Maria Tonha said that his visits to Zambia and Tanzania come in the framework of the exchange of experience between the three countries armies. Our country's defense minister also said that he was going to discuss with his Zambian and Tanzanian counterparts issues connected with the common objectives of the struggle being carried out in southern Africa and the defense of each of the frontline states, as well as issues related to assistance for the peoples still fighting for their liberty.

The Angolan defense minister is accompanied by a high-ranking Armed Forces delegation which includes Lieutenant Colonel Francisco Magalhaes Paiva Vunda, the national political director of the People's Armed Forces for the Liberation of Angola.

MPLA-Labor Party Delegation on Visit to Cuba

*MB070945 Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese 1200 GMT
6 Apr 85*

[Text] An MPLA-Labor Party delegation led by (Antonio Lengue), the director of the Central Committee Foreign Relations Department, arrived in Cuba 2 days ago. The visit by the Angolan party delegation to Cuba is within the framework of the exchange programs existing with the Cuban Communist Party Department for Foreign Relations. Included in the delegation are the heads of the American and African divisions, as well as officials from the Department of Cadres and the Foreign Relations Secretariat.

Congo Envoy Delivers Message to Dos Santos

*MB061140 Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese 1900 GMT
5 Apr 85*

[Text] Comrade Jose Eduardo dos Santos, the Angolan head of state, received Anatole Kounkou, the extraordinary and plenipotentiary ambassador of the People's Republic of the Congo, at Futungo de Belas, Luanda, this morning. The Congolese ambassador delivered a personal message from the Congolese head of state, Denis Sassou-Nguesso, to President Jose Eduardo dos Santos.

Envoys Agree Ties With Brazil to 'Strengthen'

*MB080601 Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese 1200 GMT
6 Apr 85*

[Text] In Moscow recently, the People's Republic of Angola and the Federative Republic of Brazil concluded that it was necessary

to strengthen relations between the two countries in the current fields of cooperation. During the meeting in Moscow, Jose Cesar Augusto Pilnoz and Pontes Nogueira, the respective ambassadors of Angola and Brazil accredited in Moscow, reviewed the existing cooperation between the two states. Other issues of common interest were also examined during the meeting between the two diplomats.

UNITA Communique Notes Angolan, Cuban Casualties

*LD072223 Lisbon Domestic Service in Portuguese 2100 GMT
7 Apr 85*

[Text] The latest communique issued by the UNITA General Headquarters says that in the last days of March UNITA forces captured the localities of Cassongue, Santa Maria and Vouga in the Angolan provinces of Cuanza-sul, Malange and Bie.

The communique says that the MPLA troops suffered 156 casualties, 1 Cuban was killed and 5 captured. Various war equipment was captured, particularly personal firearms and ammunition.

UNITA says it suffered eight casualties.

MOZAMBIQUE

2 RSA Soldiers Reported Captured With Renamo

*MB070915 Umtata Capital Radio in English 0900 GMT
7 Apr 85*

[Text] Two South African soldiers have apparently been captured by the Mozambican authorities. Reports say that one of the men is a lieutenant, and that they were both operating with the Mozambique National Resistance Movement.

But the South African Defense Force has denied that any of its personnel are either operating, or were captured, in Mozambique. Diplomatic sources in Maputo say it is possible the men will be kept as bargaining power for any future talks between the countries.

The news has been kept quiet because of the sensitivity of relations between Maputo and Pretoria, and the danger of the Nkomati Accord collapsing.

Angolan Minister Brings Message to Machel

*MB070855 Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese 0700 GMT
7 Apr 85*

[Text] Comrade Jose Eduardo dos Santos, the chairman of the MPLA-Labor Party and president of the People's Republic of Angola, has sent a personal message to the president of Mozambique, Field Marshal Samora Machel. The message was handed over the day before yesterday to the Mozambican head of state by Lieutenant Colonel Alexandre Rodrigues Kito, the Angolan interior minister, who has been in Maputo since Thursday.

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In the name of the Mozambican people, the Frelimo Party, the Government of the People's Republic of Mozambique, and himself, Marshal Samora Machel salutes the historic day, 4 April 1985, the 40th anniversary of the liberation of Hungary. The glorious 4 April, which marks the victory of the revolution for national liberation against German fascism and imperialism in Hungary, is today commemorated with great pride and emotion by all the world's peace-loving peoples, says the Mozambican head of state in his message. The message says the Mozambican people, the Frelimo Party, and the Government of the People's Republic of Mozambique warmly hail the 40th anniversary of that victory and the great successes and accomplishments of the brotherly Hungarian people, who, under the leadership of Comrade President Janos Kadar and the MSZMP, have implemented the new ideals of the socialist republic for which Hungarian patriots died.

In the message to President Abou Diouf, Marshal Samora Machel presents warmest congratulations in the name of the Mozambican people and of the Government of the People's Republic of Mozambique to the Senegalese people and government. The Mozambican head of state expressed the will of Mozambique to deepen its friendship and cooperation with Senegalese Government so that both countries could fight for world peace and the social well-being of their peoples.

Machel Receives Messages From Portugal, SDAR
MB031156 Maputo Domestic Service in Portuguese 1030 GMT 3 Apr 85

[Text] President Samora Machel received in Mpautu yesterday special messages from Portuguese President Ramalho Eanes and SDAR President Mohamed Abdelaziz. Colonel Melo Antunes, a member of the Portuguese State Council, and Mokhtar Ibrahim, the SDAR ambassador to Maputo, delivered the messages.

NAMIBIA

SWANU Leader Denies SWAPO 'Consciously' Excluded
MB041043 Johannesburg Domestic Service in English 0900 GMT 4 Apr 85

[Text] The president of the South-West African National Union [SWANU], Mr Moses Katjiuongua, has rejected allegations that SWAPO is consciously being excluded from the planned interim government in South-West Africa. He was reacting to allegations to this effect made by the British opposition Labor Party spokesman on southern Africa, Mr Donald Anderson. Mr Katjiuongua also reacted to the report by the three British MP's who visited South-West Africa in February. The report claims that the Multiparty Conference enjoys little support and that SWAPO represents two-thirds of the population in the territory. He said this was completely contrary to what the three had told him while in South-West Africa. He said it was ironic that the British delegation had taken the trouble to listen to the points of view of the leaders of the conference, but that no mention of this had been made in the report.

SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg Says Cubans Eager To Pull Out of Angola
MB031917 Johannesburg Domestic Service in English 1900 GMT 3 Apr 85

[Text] Our Lisbon correspondent reports that the Cuban Government seems to be seeking an urgent withdrawal of its troops from Angola because of the demoralizing effect the Angolan bush war is having on the Cuban people.

The report follows a meeting in Moscow, during which top-level delegations from Angola, Cuba, and the Soviet Union discussed the deteriorating security position in Angola. The Soviets are reported to be finding the war effort in Angola a strain and to be puzzled by the lack of progress by government forces.

Our correspondent says the Soviet Union is particularly concerned about the spread of UNITA's operations to the north of Angola. At the moment, about 75 percent of the country is considered to be unsafe. Any place further than 30 km from the capital, Luanda, is regarded to be in the war zone.

The Cuban and MPLA forces are said to number around 80,000, in contrast to the UNITA movement's 25,000 men. Our correspondent says one of the major reasons for the lack of success by government forces seems to be that the Cubans are refusing to enter into battle against UNITA because of the large number of men lost during the 10-year war.

Squatter Pact Seen as Government 'Breakthrough'
MB040632 Johannesburg SAPA in English 0620 GMT 4 Apr 85

[Text] Cape Town, April 4, SAPA — The first squatter leader in the Crossroads complex yesterday accepted a new government deal to move to its new site-and-service scheme at Kayelitsha, in return for temporary rights for his followers to live there for 18 months and seek work in the Cape.

In terms of a written agreement signed yesterday at the offices of Mr Timo Bezuidenhout, chief commissioner for cooperation and development in the Western Cape, the government has further undertaken to "review the whole situation" regarding their legal status in 18 months. Mr Bezuidenhout declined to comment on whether this meant the squatters would receive permanent rights after this period, and their eventual position still remains unclear.

However, Mr Bezuidenhout later said the government had also given him the undertaking that no squatters would be deported to the homelands — either now or after the 18-month period had expired. This is a major reversal of National Party policy of several years standing.

The agreement signed yesterday by Mr Sisa Nyandeni, leader of a section of the Nyanga extension squatter camp, and his committee, follows negotiations between Mr Bezuidenhout and various squatter groups over the past few weeks.



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CASTRO ON WITHDRAWAL FROM ANGOLA, ETHIOPIA

DW201245 Hamburg ARD Television Network in German 2130 GMT 19 Mar 85

[Interview with President Fidel Castro by Swedish correspondent Peter Toergensen in Havana; date not given; in Spanish with superimposed German translation; from the "Current Topics" program; recorded]

[Text] [Toergensen] Is there any possibility that Cuban troops will be withdrawn from Africa?

[Castro] Yes, there is a possibility of withdrawing some of the troops, but only if an agreement is reached on the basis of the proposal that has been submitted to the UN secretary general. The points of such an agreement are clear. There must be independence for Namibia, a discontinuation of support for the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, and the guarantee of the agreement by the UN Security Council. This agreement must guarantee the security and sovereignty of Angola. Formulas with a trap or containing deceit, and therefore spelling suicide for Angola, will definitely not be acceptable to the Angolans. That not only applies to Angola; the peoples of East Africa also do not want anything of the sort, not Tanzania or Zimbabwe or Zambia, because this is exactly what the consequence of a Cuban pullout would be. I must add one thing. The Cubans there also feel a bit exposed in view of the aggression from South Africa.

[Toergensen] What about Ethiopia?

[Castro] The situation in Ethiopia is different. To begin with, our people are there because the Ethiopian Government wants them there. However, they do not have the same role as those in Angola. It is a much smaller group. The Ethiopian Army is quite large, powerful, and experienced, while the Angolan Army is not.

The Ethiopians only need a bit more time. They have a war at home, and they cannot accept our immediate and sudden withdrawal, say, within a period of 6 months. They will definitely need us for another 3 years.

FORMER MARIEL REFUGEES RETURN FROM U.S.

FL201805 Havana Television Service in Spanish 1700 GMT 20 Mar 85

[Text] In accordance with the agreements for the normalization of the immigration process between Cuba and the United States, signed last December, a group of 28 Cuban citizens arrived in our country yesterday.

As was announced when the first group arrived, these individuals will be subject to medical examinations and controls for a period sufficiently long to determine the condition of their health. Each one will also be evaluated on the basis of his personal history since he left Cuba. Each will be treated in accordance with the policy set forth by Comrade Fidel, when he reported on the talks and agreements dealing with immigration questions between our country and the United States.

As has already been stated, the total number of Cuban citizens residing in the United States who could become involved in this repatriation process is 2,746.

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LD071853 Moscow PRAVDA in Russian 8 Mar 85 p 4

[Unattributed report: "On the Soviet-Angolan-Cuban Consultations"]

[Text] Soviet-Angolan-Cuban consultations were held in Moscow on March 6, 1985, during which the situation in southern Africa was examined in a thorough way. The sides unanimously agreed that since the tripartite consultations in January 1984 tension in that region has not decreased, which is a result of the continuing aggressive policy of the Pretoria regime against Angola and other independent African countries.

The participants in the consultations stressed that only a readiness to reckon with the legitimate interests of Angola and the Namibian people, whose recognized representative is SWAPO [South-West African People's Organization] can lead to a real improvement of the situation and to peace in southwestern Africa. The Republic of South Africa should stop all its aggression and the indirect aggression. There should also be clear movement on a Namibian settlement on the basis of corresponding UN decisions, including Resolution 435 of the UN Security Council.

The sides reaffirmed that the platform advanced by the Angolan Government is a just foundation for achieving an agreement that would ensure independence, security, and peace in southwestern Africa. They stated that despite the steps taken by Angola with a view to achieving a settlement in that region by way of talks, the Pretoria regime, acting contrary to the accords reached in Lusaka, retains its troops on Angolan territory and has not set the date for starting to carry out UN Security Council Resolution 435. The consultations were useful and helped to further coordinate the actions of the three countries toward strengthening the independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity of Angola.

The exchange of views took place in a warm, friendly atmosphere and in the spirit of full mutual understanding.

Taking part in the consultations were: On the Soviet side -- A.A. Gromyko, member of the Politburo of the CPSU Central Committee, first deputy chairman of the Council of Ministers of the USSR, and USSR foreign minister; B.N. Ponomarev, alternate member of the Politburo of the CPSU Central Committee and secretary of the CPSU Central Committee, S.L. Sokolov, member of the CPSU Central Committee and USSR defense minister; O.B. Rakhmanin, member of the CPSU Central Committee and first deputy head of a department of the CPSU Central Committee; and L.F. Ilyichev, alternate member of the CPSU Central Committee and deputy foreign minister of the USSR. On the Angolan side -- M.A. Rodrigues, member of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the MPLA [Popular Movement for Liberation of Angola]-Workers' Party and interior minister of the People's Republic of Angola [PRA], A. dos Santos Franca, member of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the MPLA-Workers' Party, deputy defense minister of the PRA, and chief of the General Staff of the People's Armed Forces for the Liberation of Angola; and J.C. Augusto, member of the Central Committee of the MPLA Workers' Party and the PRA's ambassador to the USSR. On the Cuban side -- J. Risquet Valdes, member of the Politburo and the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, L. Soto, member of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba and ambassador of the Republic of Cuba to the USSR; V.S. Colas, alternate member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba and deputy chief of the General Staff of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Cuba; and R. Roa Kouri, Cuban vice foreign minister.

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ZIMYANIN, CUBA'S RISQUET VALDES MEET 7 MAR

LD072203 Moscow Television Service in Russian 1800 GMT 7 Mar 85

[From the "Vremya" newscast]

[Text] Comrade Zimyanin, secretary of the CPSU Central Committee, today met with Risquet Valdes, member of the Politburo and the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba. In the conversation, which was held in a warm and friendly atmosphere, questions concerning the ideological work of the CPSU and the PCC were discussed. Soto Prieto, member of the Secretariat of the PCC Central Committee and ambassador of the Republic of Cuba to the USSR, was present during the conversation.

PRAVDA CARRIES CUBAN STATEMENT ON NICARAGUA

PM080906 Moscow PRAVDA in Russian 6 Mar 85 First Edition p 5

[TASS report: "Nicaragua's Righteous Cause: Cuban Government Statement"]

[Text] Havana, 5 Mar -- The Cuban Government has disseminated the following statement:

On 27 February, in a serious and well reasoned foreign policy statement on behalf of his government, President Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua announced a package of measures it will adopt unconditionally as proof of its good intentions and with a view to activating the process of negotiations in the search for a political solution to Central American problems.

These measures include renouncing the cooperation of 100 Cuban military specialists among those who are presently fulfilling their international duty in Nicaragua, whose people are the victims of the aggressive actions of gangs at the service of imperialism and the target of constant threats of direct military invasion by the United States. In accordance with the Nicaraguan statement, the withdrawal of 100 Cuban military specialists from the country will begin in May.

Cuba fully supports the 27 February statement, the measures announced in it, and the Nicaraguan Government's worthy and bold step -- which is what its initiative is. In no way is it, as certain U.S. Administration spokesmen attempt to present it, either a sign of weakness or the assumed result of imperialism's aggressive policy toward Nicaragua. On the contrary, this step is evidence of maturity, earnestness, self-confidence, and the firm intention to struggle for peace -- an intention behind which it would be stupid not to see the unshakable determination of the Nicaraguan people and their Sandinist leadership never to surrender to the aggressor but to defend the motherland and the revolution at all costs.

We have always said the Cuba will never undertake unilateral measures relating to its cooperation with Nicaragua but will give full support to the Nicaraguan Government's steps directed toward the search for peace and will fulfill all its obligations, which for Cuba are based on the Nicaraguan leadership's decisions.

Fully adhering to this policy and taking into account the spirit, aims, and earnest nature of Nicaragua's statement, the Cuban Government declares that:

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TECHNICIANS IMPROVE ANGOLAN BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT

FL232030 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1529 GMT 23 Feb 85

[Text] The installation of broadcasting studios and master control units for radio stations in the Angolan provinces of Moxico, Huila, Uige, and Namibe, are part of the fruitful labor of 13 Cuban Institute of Radio and Television [ICRT], technicians who are providing internationalist cooperation to this African country.

Jesus Tolon, chief of the group, said the work helped improve the transmission quality of radio and television broadcasts. He said that another important aspect of their work was the repair of equipment at the main station of the Radio Nacional de Angola which includes repairing tape recorders, monitors, amplifiers, and consoles.

Tolon said the ICRT technicians also teach theoretical and practical courses to 20 Angolan students studying radio technology. Giving assistance in the television field are a cameraman, a lighting technician, and an adviser for children's programs.

TEACHING CONTINGENT IN ANGOLA WRITES REPORTS

PA251942 Havana International Service in Spanish 1600 GMT 25 Feb 85

[Text] Internationalist Cuban teachers working in Angola have written more than 200 reports as part of their pedagogical work for the current school year. This exceeds by 100 the number of reports presented during the previous term.

Among other things, these reports deal with technical aspects of teaching, technical resources to teach class, analysis of the learning process, and methodology.

Approximately 1,000 internationalists make up the Cuban educational contingent in Angola. They teach from the fourth grade level in primary school through junior high school.

MEDAL BESTOWED ON SOVIET NAVAL DETACHMENT

FL252009 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1145 GMT 25 Feb 85

[Excerpt] The fraternal combatant medal was bestowed on members of the Soviet naval detachment which is currently on a friendship visit to our country. This event coincided with the 67th anniversary of the brother country's Armed Forces and is another sign of the close ties existing between our countries.

NICARAGUAN HEALTH MINISTER ARRIVES IN HAVANA

PA251723 Havana International Service in Spanish 1600 GMT 25 Feb 85

[Text] Nicaraguan Health Minister Lea Guido stated upon arriving in Havana, that the objective of her visit is to closely study the progress made by Cuba in the pharmaceutical industry.

She pointed out that the Nicaraguan people are firmly defending achievements made in the public health field at a time when they are facing a dirty war being waged by the United States against the country.



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Another argument, intended to be presented as fact, is the presumed violation of human rights in Cuba, claiming such a violation in the imprisonment of those who, at the service of the CIA, intend to sabotage the national economy, kill our leaders, and take actions against the people's security and property. Aren't these crimes condemned in other countries? We ask the defenders of human rights at the U.S. official levels why they offer all kinds of aid and training to the Salvadoran criminals? Why do they support the fascist dictatorships in Latin America, the true murderers of their people like Pinochet and Duvalier? Why do they maintain close relations with the South African regime? Moreover, why are they the best allies of every unjust cause in the world?

These and other issues are addressed by the leader of the Cuban revolution, Fidel Castro Ruz, in the interview being aired by Radio Havana Cuba in its segment "Voices of the Revolution."

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMPANY FORMED WITH ARGENTINA

FL191140 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1100 GMT 19 Feb 85

[Text] The Argentine press in Buenos Aires has emphasized the forming of an Argentine-Cuban international trade company, and underscored the fact that the firm is the first of its kind to be created in Argentina. Argentine experts said the company was formed to induce trade with a country with a centralized economy. The company is named (Leverage) and is run by Argentines with a large number of Cuban advisers who are representatives of enterprises in Cuba. One newspaper said the company is destined to be the impulse mechanism that will accelerate the exchange of goods with Cuba.

MEDAL GIVEN TO SOVIET MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS

FL191240 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1100 GMT 19 Feb 85

[Text] In Havana, the Order of Solidarity has been bestowed on Vasiliy Aleksandrovich Shamshin, Soviet minister of communications and candidate member of the CPSU Central Committee.

In a formal ceremony, Commander of the Revolution Guillermo Garcia, Politburo member and vice president of the Councils of State and Ministers, pinned the medal on Shamshin, who is also deputy chairman of the Soviet-Cuban Friendship Society.

Pedro Guelmes, Central Committee member and Cuba's minister of communications, read the Council of State's accord which recognizes Vasiliy Shamshin's efforts toward increasing solidarity with Cuba.

FRENCH LABOR DELEGATION VISITS SANTIAGO DE CUBA

FL191216 Havana Domestic Service in Spanish 1100 GMT 19 Feb 85

[Text] Henri Krasuki, Politburo member of the French Communist Party and secretary general of the General Confederation of Workers [CGT], and the delegation he is heading have met in Santiago de Cuba Province with members of the provincial secretariat of the Central Organization of Cuban Trade Unions [CTC].

Present at the meeting was Roberto Veiga, alternate Politburo member and CTC secretary general. Krasuki thanked them for their attention and the interesting information given to him, and expressed pleasure at visiting Santiago de Cuba Province for the first time. He had heard about the area because of its relevant role in the history of the Cuban revolution.

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Dos Santos Message to Castro on Anniversary*MB021456 Luanda Domestic in Portuguese 1200 GMT 2 Jan 85*

[Message of Jose Eduardo dos Santos, chairman of the MPLA-Labor Party and president of the People's Republic of Angola, to Fidel Castro Ruz, first secretary of the Communist Party of Cuba and president of the Council of State of the Republic of Cuba — date not given]

[Text] Esteemed Comrade Fidel Castro Ruz: On the occasion of the 26th anniversary of the triumph of the Cuban revolution, I am honored to warmly and fraternally congratulate you, your Communist Party's Central Committee, and the brotherly people of Cuba on behalf of the MPLA-Labor Party Central Committee, the Government of the People's Republic of Angola, and myself. On this festive date, it is a pleasure for me to note the lucid manner in which you have been guiding the destiny of the Cuban people and their revolution and your great personal commitment to the struggle for peace, social progress, and freedom of the oppressed peoples.

The event which is celebrated today has transcendental historical significance, not only for the heroic Cuban people but also for the whole of progressive humankind, because the Cuban revolution's triumph and the subsequent emergence of the first socialist state in Latin America — while simultaneously radically transforming the correlation of forces on the American Continent — have constituted a source of particular courage and inspiration for the liberation movement of the African, Asian, and Latin American peoples.

On the occasion of this important date, I have to recall the memory of Cuba's best sons, such as Camillo Cienfuegos, Che Guevara, and Jose Marti, the intellectual hero of the Cuban revolution, and many other men of profoundly human and revolutionary feeling, who did not spare efforts in order to allow the Cuban people to enjoy the freedom and happiness which they enjoy today.

This anniversary of the Cuban revolution's triumph takes place at a time when the international situation is particularly difficult. Imperialism — which has not assimilated history's lessons — is engaged in new military adventures with the aim of destabilizing the progressive forces which struggle for the building of peaceful, socially just, and progressive societies, free from all kinds of domination and exploitation of man by man. The campaigns of intimidation and threats of aggression against the peoples of Cuba and Nicaragua, launched by American imperialism's belligerent groups, fit into this context. These threats have lately aggravated the region's tense climate.

Despite all these maneuvers, we are convinced that the Cuban people — faithful to the traditions of revolution and struggle which have always characterized them — will be able to neutralize imperialism's plans and that the Cuban revolution will continue its unstoppable march toward the consolidation of socialism's conquests.

I reiterate our desire to see an ever-growing strengthening of the traditional friendship, solidarity, and cooperation ties which unite our peoples, parties, and governments in the common struggle against imperialism and for the well-being and progress of our respective peoples.

My highest and fraternal consideration.

[signed] Jose Eduardo dos Santos, Chairman of the MPLA-Labor Party and President of the People's Republic of Angola

Voice of Truth Urges Ouster of All Foreign Troops*MB020919 (Clandestine) Voice of Truth in Portuguese to Angola 2000 GMT 1 Jan 85*

["Chronicle of the Day" program read by Afonso]

[Text] Friends and comrades, we have entered 1985, a year which will be extremely vital for our survival. It is a year in which we want to finally see a drastic and valid change: We want to see the Cubans leave, plus the MPLA radicals and all foreign forces, including the racist South African troops. We want reconciliation at the national level.

MPLA Chairman Jose Eduardo dos Santos' new year address to the nation is clear. We once again heard a number of promises and appeals that mean nothing, because he has been making them for years while nothing happens. The people no longer pay attention to such new year addresses because they are tired of listening to meaningless words. That is why we, the people, and all the forces who struggle for a (?prosperous), free, and independent Angola, have to make our own (?revolution). We have to decide what we want for 1985, and what we want is totally natural and understandable.

To start with, we all want the Cubans to leave our Angola. Therefore, 1985 must be the year of the defeat of the Cubans and also the withdrawal of all other foreign forces who have been the cause of our destruction and suffering. Therefore, in addition to the Cubans, we are talking about the racist South African troops, SWAPO, and the advisers from the USSR and other countries.

Also, we want the removal of the MPLA radicals who have been the main cause of all our problems, so that we may finally achieve national reconciliation. This will permit a valid reconstruction of our Angola. Naturally, we would like to achieve this reconciliation through peaceful negotiations. However, since the MPLA radicals have clearly stated that they refuse to negotiate with UNITA — thus opting for a protracted civil war — we are left with the alternative of supporting UNITA's armed struggle and conducting a number of actions to bring about a general (?revolt) in our Angola.

Friends and comrades, we have begun 1985. We want our Angola.