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(SUMMARY: DURING THE PAST YEAR THE CUBAN LEADERS HAVE BECOME MORE CRITICAL OF SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY TOWARD THE UNITED STATES AND LATIN AMERICA, THE FAILURE OF THE USSR TO SUPPORT ITS ALLIES, THE LACK OF AID TO THE UAR DURING THE RECENT MIDDLE EAST CRISIS, AND THE SOVIET TENDENCY TO DRIFT AWAY FROM "TRUE COMMUNISM" IN ITS PRESENT INTERNAL POLICIES. HOWEVER, IN SPITE OF THIS CRITICAL ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF

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THE CUBAN LEADERSHIP, SOVIET ECONOMIC AID TO CUBA HAS REMAINED AT THE SAME LEVEL AS IN THE PAST, WHILE SOVIET MILITARY ASSISTANCE HAS INCREASED. END SUMMARY)

1. CUBAN LEADERS ARE CONVINCED THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS MOVING TOWARD A STATE OF MUTUAL CO-EXISTENCE WITH THE UNITED STATES AND THAT IN LINE WITH THIS POLICY THE USSR WILL NOT DO ANYTHING THAT WILL BRING IT INTO A DIRECT CONFRONTATION WITH THE UNITED STATES. CUBA JUDGES THAT THE SOVIET WISH FOR COEXISTENCE IS THE MAIN REASON WHY THE USSR DOES NOT SUPPORT CUBAN SUBVERSIVE EFFORTS IN LATIN AMERICA. CUBA BELIEVES THAT THE USSR IS DELIBERATELY UNDERMINING THE GUERRILLA MOVEMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA BY ESTABLISHING CLOSER DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND INCREASING COMMERCIAL TRADE WITH VARIOUS LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. IN THEIR CRITICISM THE CUBAN LEADERS ACCUSE THE USSR OF CONDUCTING A FOREIGN POLICY WITH A DUAL STANDARD. THEY GIVE AS AN EXAMPLE THE CASE OF BRAZIL, WHERE THE USSR IS SUPPORTING COMMUNIST PARTY EFFORTS TO TAKE OVER POLITICAL CONTROL OF THE GOVERNMENT WHILE AT THE SAMETIME IT IS EXTENDING A CREDIT OF ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS TO THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT.

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2. SINCE THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS THE CASTRO REGIME HAS BEEN VERY CRITICAL OF THE USSR FOR NOT SUPPORTING ITS FRIENDS IN TIMES OF CRISIS. THE CUBANS ACCUSE THE USSR OF HAVING BACKED DOWN FROM ITS COMMITMENTS TO AID ITS ALLIES WHENEVER SOVIET ACTION MIGHT RESULT IN A DIRECT CONFRONTATION WITH THE UNITED STATES. THE CUBAN LEADERS SEE IN THE SOVIET LACK OF ACTION DURING THE RECENT MIDDLE EAST CRISIS CONFIRMATION THAT THE USSR WILL NOT COME TO THE AID OF CUBA IN CASE OF AN ATTACK BY A FOREIGN POWER. THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP IS AWARE OF THIS FEELING AMONG THE CUBAN LEADERS. THE PRINCIPAL REASON FOR THE VISIT OF SOVIET PREMIER ALEKSEY KOSYGIN TO CUBA IN JUNE 1967 WAS TO PLACATE THE CUBAN LEADERS. KOSYGIN INFORMED CASTRO THAT THE USSR HAD BEEN PREPARED TO AID THE UAR IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST ISRAEL BUT THAT BEFORE DISCUSSIONS OF SUCH AID COULD BE HELD, FIELD MARSHAL AMIR, CHIEF OF THE UAR ARMED FORCES, HAD TOLD THE USSR THAT THE UAR INTENDED TO STOP FIGHTING WITHIN SEVERAL DAYS.

3. THE CUBAN LEADERS OPENLY CRITICIZE THE INTERNAL POLICY OF THE USSR IN THE USE OF INCENTIVE METHODS TO INCREASE FACTORY PRODUCTION

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AND TO IMPROVE THE WELL-BEING OF THE INDIVIDUAL. THE CUBANS CLAIM THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS MOVING AWAY FROM "TRUE COMMUNISM" AND IS INCORPORATING CAPITALISTIC METHODS IN ITS "REVISION" OF THE TRUE MARXISM-LENINISM. THE CUBAN LEADERS CLAIM THAT CUBA IS MOVING TOWARD "TRUE COMMUNISM", POINTING TO CUBAN EXPERIMENTS IN "CONTROLLED COMMUNES" AS AN EXAMPLE OF CUBAN ACHIEVEMENTS IN THIS RESPECT (THERE THE PEOPLE WORK, EAT AND LIVE TOGETHER, THE CHILDREN ARE RAISED BY THE STATE, AND NO MONEY IS USED BY THEM BECAUSE THE STATE CARES FOR ALL OF THEIR NEEDS).

THE CASTRO REGIME HAS ESTABLISHED SEVERAL "CONTROLLED COMMUNES" THROUGHOUT CUBA ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS. THE FIRST OF THESE WERE ESTABLISHED IN THE RURAL AREA OF PINAR DEL RIO PROVINCE. RECENTLY ONE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED ON THE ISLE OF PINES IN A LOCATION WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY HOUSED POLITICAL PRISONERS.)

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4. IN SPITE OF THE OPEN CRITICISM BY THE CASTRO REGIME OF SOVIET FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC POLICIES, NO REPRISALS HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY THE USSR. SOVIET ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO CUBA HAS NOT BEEN REDUCED; MILITARY ASSISTANCE HAS ACTUALLY INCREASED AND THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE MILITARY LEADERS IN THE USSR AND CUBA REMAIN FRIENDLY.

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