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CUBA: MIG-23 UPDATE. (U)
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1. (S SPOKE) A SOVIET PILOT IN CUBA WAS NOTED TO HAVE
FLOWN A MIG-23/FLOGGER ON 23 NOVEMBER, 9 DECEMBER, AND 23 DECEMBER.
THE FLIGHTS WERE MADE FROM SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD,
WEST OF HAVANA, AND THE AIRCRAFT WAS PROBABLY ONE OF AT LEAST 10
CUBAN FLOGGER'S HOME-BASED THERE. THE FLIGHTS CONSISTED OF REG-
ULAR ZONE WORK AND AIRFIELD FAMILIARIZATION SORTIES. THE PILOT
IS QUITE LIKELY PART OF THE SOVIET MILITARY ASSISTANCE GROUP
ASSIGNED TO CUBA, AND HE PROBABLY FLEW THE SORTIES TO MAINTAIN
PILOT PROFICIENCY.
2. (S SPOKE) THIS IS THE FIRST SOVIET PILOT ACTIVITY NOTED
ON THE MIG-23'S IN CUBA SINCE JUNE. CUBAN PILOT TRAINING ON
THE FLOGGER'S WAS FIRST NOTED IN CUBA ON 1 JUNE WHEN TWO SOVIET
PILOTS FLEW INITIAL AIRFIELD FAMILIARIZATION SORTIES.
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