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(TRUCKS-CUBANS)

WASHINGTON--EIGHT TRUCKING COMPANIES DONATED TRUCKS AND TRAILERS FREE OF CHARGE TODAY TO HELP HAUL 420,000 POUNDS OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO FLORIDA AS PART OF THE CUBAN PRISONER EXCHANGE ARRANGEMENTS.

THE AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATION SAID IT WAS ASKED MONDAY AFTERNOON TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO MOVE THE SUPPLIES FROM THE MIDWEST AND NORTHEAST.

BY 7 P.M. MONDAY, EIGHT MOTOR CARRIERS HAD VOLUNTEERED TO MOVE THE RANSOM CARGO. IT WAS PICKED UP AND ON THE WAY TO FLORIDA BY EARLY THIS MORNING.

THE DRUGS WERE TAKEN TO PORT EVERGLADES, FLA., AND PREPARED FOR TRANSSHIPMENT IN THE EVENT NEGOTIATIONS ARE COMPLETED AND THE SUPPLIES ARE EXCHANGED FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE BAY OF PIGS INVADERS.

THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE MOVE, A SPOKESMAN SAID, WERE MASON AND DIXON, KINGSPORT, TENN.; CAROLINA FREIGHT CARRIERS CORP., CHERRYVILLE, N. C.; MERCURY MOTOR EXPRESS, TAMPA, FLA.; ROADWAY EXPRESS, AKRON, OHIO; SMITH'S TRANSFER, STANTON, VA.; TERMINAL TRANSPORT CO., ATLANTA; RYDER TRUCK LINES, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT, NEW YORK CITY.

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