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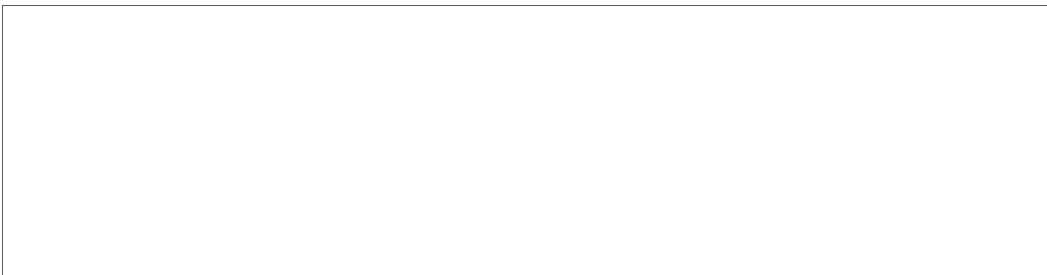
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COUNTRY: PORTUGUESE GUINEA/GUINEA/USER/CUBA

DOI : EARLY FEBRUARY 1973

SUBJECT: STATUS OF THE AFRICAN PARTY FOR THE INDEPENDENCE
OF PORTUGUESE GUINEA AND THE CAPE VERDE ISLANDS (PAIGC)



1. THE BASIC INVESTIGATION OF PAIGC SECRETARY
GENERAL AMILCAR C A B R A L ' S ASSASSINATION HAS BEEN
CONCLUDED AND ALL PAIGC PERSONNEL IN GUINEA WHO WERE
TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AFTER THE ASSASSINATION HAVE BEEN
INTERROGATED AND RELEASED. THE ONLY PAIGC PERSONNEL
STILL IN CUSTODY ARE THOSE WHO HAVE CONFESSED TO THE KILLING
AND OTHERS ABOUT WHOM THERE IS EVIDENCE OF POSSIBLE

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COMPLICITY. [REDACTED] ESTIMATES VARY, BUT IT IS GENERALLY BELIEVED THAT BETWEEN 15 AND 30 PAIGC PERSONNEL ARE STILL IN CUSTODY.)

2. THE PAIGC HAS REASSUMED CONTROL OF ALL OF ITS BUILDINGS, INSTALLATIONS, AND AMMUNITION SUPPLIES WHICH WERE TAKEN OVER BY THE GUINEAN ARMY IMMEDIATELY AFTER CABRAL'S DEATH. THE ONLY EXCEPTION IS THAT THE PAIGC PATROL BOATS BASED IN CONAKRY PORT ARE STILL UNDER GUINEAN CONTROL PENDING THE PAIGC'S APPOINTMENT OF NEW NAVAL OFFICERS. THESE BOATS ARE BEING MAINTAINED BY SOVIET NAVAL TECHNICIANS.

3. THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICERS OF THE PAIGC ARE TO BE MOVED FROM THEIR PRESENT LOCATION IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF CONAKRY TO A BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN CONAKRY. THIS BUILDING IS LOCATED IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE GUINEAN PRESIDENCY AND DIRECTLY NEXT DOOR TO THE BUILDING USED AS LIVING QUARTERS BY THE CUBAN BODYGUARD OF PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE.

[REDACTED] THERE ARE UNCONFIRMED STORIES THAT THE MAJORITY OF PAIGC PERSONNEL FORMERLY ASSIGNED TO CONAKRY WILL BE MOVED TO NEW LOCATIONS WITHIN PORTUGUESE GUINEA, AND THAT EVENTUALLY ONLY A HEADQUARTERS STAFF WILL REMAIN IN CONAKRY).

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4.

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF GUINEA AND TOURE ARE NO LONGER TRYING TO ACTIVELY INFLUENCE THE AFFAIRS OF THE PAIGC. ALTHOUGH TOURE WANTED TO RETAIN AN ACTIVE INFLUENCE WITHIN THE PAIGC, HE WAS PERSUADED BY HIS MINISTERS THAT TO DO SO WOULD HURT THE IMAGE OF THE PAIGC.)

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