- 1. (5) AN ELEMENT OF THE CUBAN NAVY PATROLLING CUBA'S NORTHERN COAST RECENTLY CAPTURED A US SCHOONER OFF CUBA NEAR THE OLD BA MMA CHANNEL.
- 2. (5) ACCORDING TO REPORTS, THE HEIGHTENED READINESS ALONG CUBA 'S NORTHERN COAST SINCE LATE JUNE IS UNDOUBTEDLY TIED TO IM-

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PENDING PLANS OF AN EXILE GROUP TO CONDUCT TERRORIST ACTIONS A GAINST CUBAN UNITS. MOREOVER, AN-24/COKE AIRCRAFT HAVE ALSO BEEN RE-PORTED CONDUCTING OVERWATER RECONNAISSANCE.

THE REASON FOR HAVANA'S ACTIVITY AT THIS TIME MAY BE THE EXTREME SENSITIVITY OF THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT TO EXILE INCURSIONS, ESPECIALLY SINCE THE CUBAN CIVIL AIRLINER CRASH OFF BARBADOS IN OCTOBER. IT MAY BE THAT CUBA INTENDS TO CAPTURE INCOMING EXILES AND MAKE A PUBLIC DISPLAY OF THEM BOTH AS A WARNING OF HAVANA'S INTENT TO DEAL WITH TERRORISM AND A SYMBOLIC GESTURE TO THE CUBAN PEOPLE. WHATEVER THE RATIONALE, CUBA'S READINESS POSTURE HAS BEEN MARKEDLY INCREASED TO WARD OFF INCOMING EXILE RAIDERS.

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