DIADIN 189-2A (AS OF: 0925 EDT 8 JUL 79)

SUBJ: DIA DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE NOTICE (DIN) (U)

MILITARY ASSISTANCE FROM CUBA. (U)

1. (S//U//NAT//NOFORN) SINCE THE MARCH OVERTHROW OF THE GRENADIAN GOVERNMENT, RUMORS OF CUBAN MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE NEW PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT (PRG) HAVE PERSISTED. (b)(1), 1.4 (c)

2. (S//U//NAT//NOFORN) TO DATE, CUBA HAS REPORTEDLY PROVIDED UP TO 2,000 SMALL ARMS INCLUDING RIFLES, REVOLVERS, AND LIGHT MACHINE-GUNS; AN UNKNOWN QUANTITY OF HEAVY MACHINEGUNS; AND FOUR ANTIAIR-
CRAFT GUNS. THE PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (PRA) HAS ASKED FOR HELICOPTERS, BUT HAVANA HAS REFUSED BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE TO BASE CUBAN TECHNICIANS IN GRENA DA TO HANDLE MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS. HOWEVER, CUBA DID AGREE TO PROVIDE HELICOPTERS IF THEY WERE NEEDED URGENTLY, AS IN THE CASE OF A THREATENED INVASION OF THE ISLAND.

3. (S/W/N/INTEL/NOFORN) HAVANA IS ALSO PROVIDING TRAINING FOR SELECTED PRA PERSONNEL. FIVE PRA BRIGADE COMMANDERS ARE BEING SENT TO CUBA FOR THREE WEEKS OF INTENSIVE TRAINING WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEGUN IN LATE JUNE. THUS, THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT IS INCREASINGLY RELYING ON CUBAN SUPPORT FOR ITS SURVIVAL.

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