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SOUTH YEMEN: FOREIGN MILITARY INVOLVEMENT. (U)
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1. ~~(S//NFINTL//NOFORN)~~ CONCERN OVER SOVIET, EAST GERMAN, AND PARTICULARLY CUBAN PARTICIPATION IN THE RECENT ADEN COUP CONTINUES TO BE REFLECTED IN VARIOUS MIDDLE EASTERN CAPITALS.

2. ~~(S//NFINTL//NOFORN)~~ HAVANA HAS 350 TO 500 MILITARY ADVISERS IN SOUTH YEMEN TRAINING AIR FORCE AND MILITIA PERSONNEL. IT IS BELIEVED THEY MAY HAVE ACTIVELY ASSISTED THE MILITIA TO CONTEST THE ARMY DURING THE 26 JUNE POWER STRUGGLE. CUBANS WERE PROBABLY ALSO INVOLVED IN FLYING AIR SUPPORT.

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BEEN INVOLVED IN IT. WE ARE, HOWEVER, SKEPTICAL OF REPORTS
ALLEGING A LARGER CUBAN COMBAT ROLE.

3. ~~(S//NINTEL//NOFORN)~~ IN ADDITION TO THE CUBANS, SOUTH YEMEN
HAS 250 TO 300 SOVIET MILITARY ADVISERS AND ABOUT 50 EAST GERMAN
SECURITY ADVISERS. MOSCOW, THROUGH TASS, HAS WARNED AGAINST
OUTSIDE INTERVENTION IN THE PRESENT SITUATION IN SOUTH YEMEN.
SUCH A BRIEF WARNING IS UNUSUAL AND IMPLIES MOSCOW ATTACHES
SUBSTANTIAL IMPORTANCE TO ITS APPARENT GAIN IN THE SOUTHERN
ARABIAN PENINSULA.

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