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RAUL R O A KOURI, CUBAN AMBASSADOR AND PERMANENT DELEGATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS, STATED THAT A NEW GENERATION OF CUBAN LEADERS IS TAKING OVER THE BUREAUCRATIC MACHINERY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF CUBA (GOC). ROA NOTED THAT THESE NEW LEADERS, WHOSE AGES RANGE FROM APPROXIMATELY 35-45 YEARS OF AGE, ARE TRAINED PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE ABOVE ALL, PRAGMATISTS.

2. ROA SAID THAT THE ROMANTICISM THAT MARKED THE EARLY STAGES OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTION WAS OVER AND OBSERVED THAT THIS PERIOD WAS DOMINATED BY PEOPLE WHO, WHILE THEY HAD GIVEN EVERYTHING TO THE CUBAN REVOLUTION, WERE AMATEURS AT RUNNING THE GOVERNMENT. ROA SINGLED OUT CARLOS RAFAEL R O D R I G U E Z RODRIGUEZ, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCILS OF STATE AND MINISTERS,

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AS BELONGING TO THIS GENERATION OF "BEARDED" ROMANTICISTS AND A PERSON WHO WILL BE REPLACED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

- 3. ROA OBSERVED THAT HE FELT VERY COMFORTABLE WITH THE LEADERS OF THIS NEW GENERATION WHO HAD BEEN TRAINED IN OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. AS A RESULT OF THIS TRAINING, ROA NOTED THAT THESE NEW LEADERS HAVE ESTABLISHED A NEW BUREAUCRACY AND A SOLID TECHNOCRACY IN CUBA. HE SINGLED OUT RICARDO A L A R C O N QUESEDA, VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, AS BEING ONE OF THE LEADERS OF THIS NEW GENERATION, BUT NOTED THAT CUBAN PRESIDENT FIDEL C A S T R O RUZ IS AGELESS SINCE HE IS THE MAIN SYMBOL OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.
- 4. COMMENTING ON CUBAN RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES, ROA SAID THIS NEW GENERATION OF CUBAN LEADERS WOULD BE MORE PRAGMATIC IN THEIR DEALINGS WITH THE U.S. THAN THE GOC HAD BEEN IN THE PAST.

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