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1. [REDACTED] OF 10 JAN 64, THE GENERAL ATMOSPHERE APPEARED MORE CALM AFTER THE EARLY MORNING VIOLENCE; HOWEVER, WIDESPREAD LOOTING AND BURNING OF CARS WAS STILL FREQUENTLY SEEN IN THE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS. ONE LOCAL CAR WAS SEEN FLYING A BANNER BEARING THE FIDEL CASTRO MOTTO, "PATRIA O MUERTE" AND THE NAME OF THE SPONSORING GROUP, THE MEDICAL STUDENTS.

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2. [REDACTED] THE GENERAL SITUATION APPEARED TO BE MORE CALM AND A LARGE PORTION OF THE STUDENTS HAD GONE HOME, APPARENTLY HONORING PRESIDENT CHIARI'S REQUEST FOR THE DEMONSTRATORS TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES. THE LARGE MOBS HAVE GENERALLY DISPERSED,

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LEAVING ROAMING GROUPS OF RUFFIANS AND UNDESIRABLES. MANY REPORTS, HOWEVER, ARE CIRCULATING TO THE EFFECT THAT ACTS OF VIOLENCE WILL OCCUR DURING THE NIGHT OF 10 JAN. REPORTS HAVE ALSO BEEN RECEIVED THAT THE COMMUNIST STUDENT LEADERS, VICTOR AVILA, FLOYD BRITTON, AND ELIGIO SALAS HAVE A RED PICK UP TRUCK LOADED WITH MOLOTOV COCKTAILS IN PREPARATION FOR VIOLENCE. NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, THE CHIARI GOVERNMENT HAS MADE QUITE A BIT OF PROGRESS IN CALMING THE PEOPLE BUT THE SITUATION IS STILL AN EXTREMELY TICKLISH ONE FOR THE PRESIDENT.

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