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~~(S//OC/NF)~~ 1. THE CUBAN MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (MININT) CIRCULATED INSTRUCTIONS IN LATE MAY 1991 FOR DEALING WITH POTENTIALLY EXPLOSIVE SITUATIONS WHICH MIGHT ARISE DURING THE UPCOMING AUGUST PAN-AMERICAN GAMES. MININT ORDERED THAT INFORMATION CONCERNING PLANS FOR STREET DEMONSTRATIONS, SOCIAL DISTURBANCES OR SIMILAR PROVOCATIONS BE DEALT WITH ON A PRIORITY BASIS. MININT URGED COORDINATION WITH LOCAL ADMINISTRATORS IN PREPARING METHODS OF PREVENTION AND CONTROL O ENSURE THAT PROBLEMS DO NOT GET OUT OF HAND. SPECIAL

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ATTENTION WAS TO BE GIVEN TO INFORMATION REGARDING PLANS FOR THE ABDUCTION OF FOREIGN DIPLOMATS AND PERSONNEL. OFFICIALS AT APPROPRIATE LEVELS WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR DISCUSSING THE POLICY WITH SUBORDINATES. [REDACTED] COMMENT: MININT EXPECTED PROVOCATIONS TO OCCUR AFTER 20 JULY DUE TO THE PRESENCE IN CUBA OF THE FOREIGN PRESS CORPS.) (b)(1) (b)(3)

(S//OC/NF) 2. [REDACTED] MININT HAS CAUTIONED LOCAL AND NATIONAL OFFICIALS TO BE CIRCUMSPECT IN THEIR PERSONAL CONDUCT SO AS NOT TO MAKE ERRORS IN JUDGEMENT WHICH COULD LEAD TO SOCIAL DISRUPTIONS. PLANS WERE TO BE MADE IN ADVANCE TO DEAL WITH SITUATIONS WHICH COULD ARISE. MINISTRY PERSONNEL WERE TOLD TO ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE SUCH SITUATIONS WITHOUT PROVOCATION OR FIREARMS EXCEPT WHEN SUCH WAS IMPERATIVE. THE MINISTRY CAUTIONED THAT ACTING WITH PATIENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND PROFESSIONALISM TO AVOID SETTING OFF AN UNFAVORABLE SITUATION DID NOT MEAN THAT NECESSARY FORCE COULD NOT BE USED SHOULD THE NEED ARISE. SUCH ACTIONS, HOWEVER, WOULD HAVE TO BE DECIDED AT THE MINISTERIAL OR AT LEAST THE PROVINCIAL LEVEL. (b)(1) (b)(3)

(S//OC/NF) 3. PREVENTATIVE MEASURES THAT COULD CAUSE A GENERAL INCIDENT WOULD REQUIRE PREVIOUS APPROVAL FROM MININT SINCE SUCH MEASURES SOMETIMES CAUSE MORE HARM THAN THE SITUATION THEY ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE. HENCE, EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE SO-CALLED POTENTIAL ENEMY. INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE NOT DANGEROUS SHOULD NOT BE DETAINED OR REMOVED FROM CIRCULATION. OTHER TYPES OF LIMITATION OR PROHIBITION COULD BE SUBSTITUTED, FOR EXAMPLE, SUCH PERSONS SHOULD BE MOVED TO THE INTERIOR OF THE COUNTRY OR PROHIBITED FROM BEING IN CERTAIN AREAS OR PLACES DURING THE GAMES.

(S//OC/NF) 4. MININT INSTRUCTIONS IN THE EVENT OF DISTURBANCES INCLUDE LIMITING ACCESS TO AN AREA AND SEPARATING INCITERS FROM OTHER PERSONS IN THE AREA. MININT OFFICIALS SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS CITIZENS USING MEGAPHONES, LOUDSPEAKERS ON PATROL CARS OR OTHER MEANS TO EXPLAIN THE CONDUCT OF THE INCITERS AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ACTIONS. MININT INSTRUCTIONS STATED THAT IT WAS IMPERATIVE THAT THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL DIRECT THE RESPONSE WHILE ENSURING THAT COMMUNICATION WITH HIS SUPERIORS WAS NOT LOST. (b)(1) (b)(3)

(S//OC/NF) 5. [REDACTED] MININT INSTRUCTIONS SPECIFIED THE NEED FOR A PLAN TO DEAL WITH PERSONS ATTEMPTING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY ILLEGALLY. [REDACTED] (b)(1) (b)(3)

(S//OC/NF) 6. MININT ALSO ORDERED PERSONNEL NOT TO PREPARE OR DISSEMINATE MASSIVE LISTS OR DATA FOR DELIVERY TO MASS ORGANIZATIONS AS HAD BEEN DONE IN THE MUNICIPALITY "TEN OCTOBER" AND IN OTHER ZONES. SUCH LISTS DWELL ON T-NSIGNIFICANT MATTERS, WERE A WASTE OF TIME AND WERE NOT PROFES IONAL.

(S//OC/NF) 7. [REDACTED] GIVEN THE INTERNAL CAMPAIGNS AND INTERNATIONAL SITUATION CUBA HAS EXPERIENCED, MININT SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCTED THAT NO DRUGS WOULD BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING PRESCR1PTION DRUGS. ALL DRUGS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE AMOUNT, DETECTED IN AIR OR SEAPORTS DURING THE GAMES WOULD BE SEIZED, CONFISCATED AND DESTROYED. (b)(1) (b)(3)

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