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COUNTRY CUBA

SUBJECT: REMARKS BY MAYOR OF HAVANA ON CUBAN INTERNAL SITUATION

DOI: LATE OCTOBER 1964

PADA: FRANCE, PARIS (2 NOVEMBER 1964)

SOURCE: CUBAN BUSINESSMAN IN TEXTILE, WHO TRAVELS ABROAD FREQUENTLY AND HAS GOOD ACCESS TO CUBAN DIPLOMATIC INSTALLATIONS, FROM HAVANA. SOURCE'S REPORTING HAS BEEN LIMITED.

COMMENTS

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INFO REPORT NO.

1. JOSE ALBERTO MARRANCO, MAYOR OF HAVANA AND PRESIDENT OF THE CUBAN JUNTA OF CONTROL, EXECUTION AND INSPECTION (JUCEI), IS ONE OF THE CUBAN GUESTS AT THE 1 NOVEMBER ALGERIAN INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION. ON ROUTE TO ALGIERS HE REMARKED THAT THERE "IS NOTHING OF ANYTHING" IN CUBA AS FAR AS CONSUMER GOODS ARE CONCERNED. IN MAKING HIS POINT HE NOTED THAT IF A WELL-STOCKED DEPARTMENT STORE LIKE PARIS' GALERIES LAFAYETTE COULD BE PARACHUTED INTO HAVANA'S CENTRAL PARK, NO AMERICAN-BACKED INVASION WOULD BE NECESSARY AS CUBANS WOULD BE MORE CONCERNED WITH COMPETING FOR AVAILABLE GOODS THAN DEFENDING THE COUNTRY.

2. ARMS IN ABUNDANCE ARE HOWEVER AVAILABLE NOW IN CUBA AND OTHER

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OVERWHELMING FORCE.

3. FIDEL CASTRO RUZ IS A "NUFF" WHO MAKES DECISIONS ONE DAY AND
REVERSES THEM THE NEXT. THE SECOND MOST POWERFUL MAN IN THE COUNTRY IS
PRESIDENT OSWALDO BORTICOS TORRES WHO IS GREATLY RESPECTED BY CASTRO.

4. DESCRIBING HIMSELF AS INDULGED TO RAUL CASTRO RUZ FOR HIS
POSITION, MARRANO SAID THAT IN SPITE OF HIS CLOSE AFFINITY OF THE SHORT-
COMINGS OF THE REGIME, HE CANNOT BETRAY FAUL. (FIELD COMMENT:
MARRANO GAINED RAUL CASTRO'S FAVOR DURING THE REVOLUTION BY HAVING
ARMS AIRDROPPED TO RAUL'S FORCES IN THE CUBAN MOUNTAINS TO THE
DESPAIR OF THE DIRECTORIO REVOLUCIONARIO, THE GROUP TO WHICH
MARRANO BELONGED.)

5. FIELD DISSEM: NONE.

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