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SUBJ: COMMUNIST DELEGATIONS IN MADAGSCAR

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1. CUBAN FOREIGN MINISTER MALMIERCA ARRIVED NOVEMBER 2
AND LEFT NOVEMBER 4, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR OSCAR ORAMAZ,
DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN DEPARTMENT, AMBASSADOR FERNANDO FLOREZ,
DIRECTOR FOR NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, AND RAFAEL HERNANDEZ,
DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PROTOCOL. LENGTHY COMMUNIQUE SIGNED
AFTER FOREIGN MINISTER'S INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT RATSIRAKA
GOES OVER MOSTTOPICS OF INTEREST TO PROGRESSIVES IN RELATIVECONFIDENTIAL

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LY NON-POLEMICAL LANGUAGE, REFERRING TO DIEGO GARCIA, PUERTO RICO, KOREA, GUANTANAMO, AND ECONOMIC BLOCKADE OF CUBA WITH ONLY MINIMUM MENTION OF U.S. ITSELF. COMMUNIQUE HIGHLIGHTS PREPARATIONS FOR 1969 NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT TO BE HELD IN HAVANA AND DEFENDS CUBAN SOLIDARITY WITH AFRICAN PROGRESSIVE REGIMES WHICH IS BEING DISTORTED BY IMPERIALISTS. MUCH ATTENTION TO SOUTHERN AFRICA,

HORN, AND SAHARA, BUT NONE TO SHABA, REUNION OR COMOROS.

- 2. VIETNAMESE DELEGATION HAS SIGNED TWO AGREEMENTS SINCE ARRIVAL, ON CULTURAL AND POSTAL COOPERATION. INTERVIEW WITH RATSIRAKA AGAIN CHARACTERIZED BY LACK OF POLEMICS AND NO DIRECT MENTION OF U.S.
- 3. KOREAN DELEGATIONS PRESENTLY IN COUNTRY NOW NUMBER FIVE (5), INCLUDING MILITARY DELEGATION WHICH SOMETIMES APPEARS IN UNIFORM BUT WHOSE PRESENCE NOT REPORTED IN PRESS. OTHER DELEGATIONS CONCERNED WITH RICE CULTIVATION, IRRIGATION AND DAM BUILDING, YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND PREFABRICATED HOUSING CONSTRUCTION.BARRETT

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