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STATEMENT OF STATE AND JUSTICE DEPARTMENTS OF SATURDAY, MARCH 30, SEEMS TO ME MOST USEFUL IN EXPLAINING U.S. ATTITUDE TOWARD CUBAN EXILE ATTACKS ON SOVIETS IN CUBA. POINT IS THAT THESE UNCONTROLLED RAIDS QUOTE MIGHT PROVOKE ARMED REPRISALS, THE BRUNT OF WHICH WOULD BE BORNE BY THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES. UNQUOTE.

AS YOU HAVE INDICATED, IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT RESTRICTIONS WILL BE MISUNDERSTOOD BY OUR LISTENERS WHO MAY CONSIDER THIS SOME FORM OF RETREAT. THINK YOUR IDEA RE USE OF PRESS REVIEW MATERIAL CONTAINING SOME CRITICISM OF U.S. POLICY A GOOD ONE. AT THE MOMENT, HOWEVER, EVERYTHING NEWSROOM HAS SHOWN ME IS IN FAVOR OF POSITION U.S. HAS ASSUMED ON THIS QUESTION. WILL ASK THEM TO CONTINUE TO CALL MY ATTENTION TO ANYTHING ELSE THEY CAN FIND. HOWEVER, IF EDITS CONTINUE ALONG LINES OF THOSE I HAVE SEEN, WE ARE IN GOOD POSITION TO SAY U.S. PEOPLE, WHO ALSO SYMPATHIZE WITH PLIGHT

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AND HOPES OF CUBAN EXILES, UNDERSTAND AND SUPPORT GOVERNMENT POSITION BECAUSE OF FULL UNDERSTANDING OF GRAVE DANGERS STILL INHERENT IN CARIBBEAN TODAY.

ONE OF FACTORS WE HAVE TRIED TO STRESS OVER THE MONTHS IS THAT IRRESPONSIBLE CASTRO FORCES COULD TRIGGER WAR IN OR ABOUT CUBA AND THAT THIS, IN TURN, COULD HAVE INCALCULABLE CONSEQUENCIES WHICH COULD EFFECT THE PEOPLES TO WHOM WE BROADCAST DUE TO SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN CUBA. WHILE THE DIFFERENCES OF DEGREE AND OF MORAL POSITION ARE CLEAR ENOUGH, NONETHELESS OUR LISTENERS PROBABLY ALSO COMPREHEND THAT IRRESPONSIBLE ACTIONS BY OTHERS COULD LEAD TO THE SAME KIND OF CONFRONTATION.

WHILE WE ARE ON SUBJECT OF CUBA, MIGHT ADD THAT IT SEEMS INCREASINGLY EVIDENT THAT CASTRO IS LOOKED UPON AS A LONG RANGE PROBLEM. IN SPITE OF MANY STATEMENTS BY HIGH U.S. OFFICIALS THAT CASTRO AND COMMUNISM IN CUBA ARE INTOLERABLE, THERE IS NO AVAILABLE EVIDENCE TO INDICATE THAT POLICY AT THIS TIME CONTEMPLATES AN ACTIVE EFFORT TO GET CASTRO OUT. QUITE TO THE CONTRARY, AS WAS MANIFEST AT SAN JOSE, STRESS REMAINS ON IMPROVED EFFECTIVENESS OF ISOLATION OF CUBA PLUS STEPPED-UP EFFORTS TO ALLEVIATE THOSE CONDITIONS IN LATIN AMERICA WHICH ADMINISTRATION FEELS PROVIDE FERTILE GROUND FOR ACTIVITIES OF PRO-CASTRO AND COMMUNIST ELEMENTS. I BELIEVE THIS LONGER RANGE ATTITUDE TO BE DUE IN PART TO ABSENCE OF INDICATION OF POPULAR ANTI-CASTRO FEELINGS ON CUBA. MANY PEOPLE IN CUBA MAY BE DISGRUNTLED, BUT IT IS NOT THE KIND OF FEELING WHICH IS LIKELY TO LEAD TO VIOLENT ACTION NOW OR IN NEAR FUTURE. CASTRO HIMSELF EVIDENTLY RETAINS A RATHER HIGH DEGREE OF

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POPULARITY, AND THERE IS CONTINUED INTEREST IN--EVEN ENTHUSIASM FOR--CERTAIN OF HIS PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE TENDED TO PLAY UPON NATIONAL PRIDE. THESE ARE MATTERS WE WILL NEED TO BEAR IN MIND, AS CUBA IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE WITH US FOR A FAIRLY LONG PERIOD OF TIME.

FROM THE POLICY POINT OF VIEW, SUGGEST WE CONTINUE TO STRESS THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

1. THAT SOVIET PRESENCE IN CARIBBEAN IS OPPOSED NOT ONLY BY THE UNITED STATES BUT BY MOST OTHER WESTERN HEMISPHERE NATIONS AS WELL. THIS ALIEN INTRUSION IS NOT ONLY HIGHLY RESENTED, BUT WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE OF THE CARIBBEAN AREA AN INTERNATIONAL DANGER ZONE. THIS IS IMPORTANT TO OUR AUDIENCES BECAUSE THEY COULD PAY A HIGH PRICE IN THE EVENT OF SERIOUS TROUBLE. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO REFER FROM TIME TO TIME TO THE TERRIBLY DANGEROUS SITUATION CREATED BY IRRESPONSIBLE SOVIET MOVES LAST FALL, MOVES TAKEN, OBVIOUSLY, WITH NO THOUGHT FOR THE WELFARE OR SAFETY OF EASTERN EUROPE.
2. THAT CASTRO REMAINS AN IRRESPONSIBLE DEMAGOGUE WHO COULD TAKE SOME FOOLISH ACTION WHICH COULD LEAD TO CONFLICT OF UNPREDICTABLE DIMENSIONS. HERE AGAIN, SUCH ACTION COULD INVOLVE GREAT SUFFERING TO OUR AUDIENCE BECAUSE OF SOVIET PRESENCE AND THE POSSIBILITY OF THE SPREAD OF ANY FORM OF CONFLICT. CUBA IS NOT SIMPLY A REMOTE ISLAND FOR EAST EUROPEANS AS LONG AS RUSSIAN MILITARY FORCES ARE PRESENT.
3. CUBAN ECONOMY IS IN PRECARIOUS POSITION AND GREAT AMOUNTS OF FOREIGN AID WILL CONTINUE TO BE NECESSARY TO BACKSTOP REGIME FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. CASTRO AND COMPANY ARE MAKING JUST ABOUT ALL THE MISTAKES THAT EUROPEAN COMMUNISM HAS MADE, AND OUR LISTENERS KNOW THAT THEIR OWN COUNTRIES ARE NOWHERE NEAR OUT OF

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THE WOODS AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS OF SUCH ERRORS. HENCE, EAST EUROPE MUST LOOK FORWARD INDEFINITELY TO PAYING FOR CASTRO'S STUPIDITIES WITH ITS OWN ECONOMIC SUBSTANCE WHICH CAN ILL BE SPARED.

4. THE UNITED STATES, WHILE FULLY AWARE OF THE METHODS AND AIMS OF CASTRO'S REGIME, IS CONVINCED THAT CUBA'S PEOPLE WILL ONE DAY CHOOSE TO BELONG TO THE COMMUNITY OF FREE NATIONS IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE AGAIN. HOWEVER, THE U.S. ALSO RECOGNIZES ITS OWN BROAD RESPONSIBILITIES IN MATTERS OF WAR AND PEACE AND WILL DECIDE ITS ACTIONS ON THE BASIS OF ALL FACTORS INVOLVED.

5. NO ONE IS OPPOSED TO GENUINE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROGRESS EITHER IN CUBA OR ANYWHERE ELSE. WHAT DEMOCRATIC FORCES, IN THE U.S. AND ELSEWHERE, OPPOSE IN CUBA IS CASTRO'S SUBVERSION OF HIS OWN PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED REVOLUTIONARY GOALS. CUBANS HAVE AGAIN BEEN CHEATED AFTER THEY SUPPORTED CASTRO'S REVOLUTION WHICH WAS BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE BRUTALITY OF BATISTA'S REGIME. WHAT CUBANS DESERVE IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DECIDE THEIR OWN DESTINY WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF FOREIGN MILITARY FORCES OR THE USE OF DOMESTIC POLICE TERROR.

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