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ACTION: SECSTATE WASHDC WITH THE HEMISPHERE

INFO: AMEMBASSY BOGOTA STATE 202576

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1. IN THE C...ETING WHICH I HAD WITH
AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN
AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
AMEMBASSY CARACAS
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN
AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA
AMEMBASSY KIN KINGSTON
AMEMBASSY LA PAZ
AMEMBASSY MANAGUA
AMEMBASSY MEXICO
AMEMBASSY LIMA
AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO
AMEMBASSY PANAMA
AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE
2. FOREIGN C... BE THE CASE AND KEN TOLD
AMEMBASSY QUITO
AMEMBASSY RIO DE JANEIRO
AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE
AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR
AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO
AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA
AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY MADRID
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
AMEMBASSY PARIS
AMEMBASSY ROME
AMEMBASSY TOKYO
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SUBJECT: CUBA'S RELATIONS WITH THE HEMISPHERE

REF: RIO 8790 (NOTAL); STATE 202576

1. IN THE COURSE OF LENGTHY MEETING WHICH I HAD WITH FONMIN YESTERDAY IN BRASILIA, I REFERRED TO LOW'S DISCUSSION WITH BORGES REPORTED RIO REFTEL AND SAID THAT IN VIEW IMPORTANCE OF MATTER I WISHED CALL IT TO HIS PERSONAL ATTENTION. I THEN SUMMARIZED MAIN POINTS DEPARTMENT MESSAGE AND EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION GOB AND WE WERE SO CLOSE ON THIS ISSUE.
2. FONMIN CONFIRMED THIS TO BE THE CASE AND KIE TOLD ME OF SUBSTANCE HIS RELATED CONVERSATIONS IN MEXICO CITY WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY MEYER. HIS FIRM OPINION WAS THAT WE SHOULD STICK STRONGLY TO POSITION NOW ADVOCATED BY OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS. HIS OWN EVALUATION WAS THAT FIRMNESS THIS REGARD HAD ALREADY RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIALLY DIMINISHED PRESSURES FROM

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SEVERAL GOVERNMENTS ADVOCATING CHANGE IN OAS
POLICY. HE SAID SOME GOVERNMENTS HAD BEEN
SEEKING TO REMOVE CAUSE FOR ANY EMBARRASSMENT
WHICH WOULD ARISE FROM THEIR ACTING CONTRARY TO
OAS RESOLUTIONS, AND HE SAW NO RPT NO POSSIBLE
BENEFIT TO BE DERIVED FROM OUR MAKING IT EASIER
FOR THEM. HE ANTICIPATED FAR FEWER DEPARTURES
FROM PRESENT OAS LINE THAN WOULD BE THE CASE
IF OAS, IN EFFECT, LEGITIMATIZED SUCH DEPARTURES.

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