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SUBJECT: 12TH MFN ON CUBAN SUBVERSION

1. I

COURSE OUR CONVERSATION TODAY ON SEVERAL SUBJECTS, FONMIN COSTA MENDEZ SAID HE MUCH CONCERNED ABOUT NET RESULT OF VENEZUELAN CHARGES OF CUBAN SUBVERSION.

2. FOLLOWING HIS RECENT EXPERIENCE WITH LA BLOC IN UN, HE COMMENTED HE FRANKLY "UPSET" OVER PERFORMANCE NUMEROUS OTHER HEMISPHERE FOREIGN OFFICES. (HE WAS SPECIFICALLY CRITICAL OF MEXICO.) THEY PREACHED PRINCIPLES INSTEAD OF FACING REALITIES. IF THESE ATTITUDES WERE REPEATED IN 12TH MFN IT WAS NOT GOING TO HAVE POSITIVE AND MEANINGFUL OUTCOME. IN ABSENCE GOOD PROSPECTS FOR HELPFUL CONCLUSIONS HE THOUGHT IT PROBABLY NOT DESIRABLE FOR FONMINS TO ATTEND. HE FOR ONE (AND INDICATED BRAZILIAN FONMIN FELT SAME) SERIOUSLY THINKING NOT ATTENDING. "NO POINT GOING TO WASHINGTON TO TALK PRINCIPLES." QU CANNOT, HE SAID "GIVE IMPRESSION OF MILD ATTITUDE TOWARD CUBA." I SAID I THOUGHT VENEZUELA PREPARING RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD BE DISCUSSED WITH OTHER COUNTRIES IN ADVANCE OF MEETING, THOUGH I DID NOT YET KNOW ITS CONTENTS. PERHAPS DISCUSSION OF IT WOULD INDICATE WHAT POSSIBILITIES THERE WERE OF USEFUL PROGRESS.

3. IN AMPLIFICATION OF ABOVE, COSTA MENDEZ SPECULATED THAT

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ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL PERFECTLY CAPABLE DEFENDING THEMSELVES.
WHEREEVER THREAT MAY LIE IN HEMISPHERE (HE CITED BOLIVIA AND
PERU AS EXAMPLES) ARGENTINA, BRAZIL AND US TOGETHER, HE SAID
CAN TAKE ACTIONS ACTIONS REQUIRED.

4. FONMIN ASKED FOR US VIEWS AND I SAID WOULD TRANSMIT
HIS REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT. MARTIN
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