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CUBANS STUDYING IN THE USSR

From 3 March to 6 August 1967 the following Cubans were reported to be studying in the USSR under scholarships granted by the Cuban government((A)).

The information in this report is arranged as follows:
name; remarks; (message date).

~~X~~ ACOSTA MORENO, ROBERTO; The Foreign Ministry requested information about this scholarship holder who is studying in Kiev. His grandmother died in February and his family received no answer to their cable. The embassy replied that he was fine; (20 Apr 67, 22 Apr 67, 24 Apr 67).

~~X~~ AGUILAR, JUSTO; The embassy reported to the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder would be traveling on flight SU-047; (21 Apr 67).

ALMANZA, IRMA; The embassy reported to the Ministry of Education that her scholarship had been canceled and that she was leaving on 4 May aboard flight 501 to return to Havana via Prague; (4 May 67).

~~X~~ ALVAREZ NAMACHO, HUMBERTO; ~~X~~ MENENDEZ ~~X~~ CORTINA, LUIS A.; The embassy reported to the Academy of Sciences in Havana that these scholarship holders requested an extension until 10 September. The answer should be sent to the presidium of the USSR Academy of Sciences and plane passages should be arranged; (6 Aug 67).

~~X~~ ALVAREZ DE ~~X~~ SOTERA, --; The embassy reported that this scholarship holder from the Public Health Ministry was working very hard and had written a letter to the Public Health Ministry where he later planned to work; (19 Jun 67).

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~~ANGEL MIRADOR, MIGUEL~~; The Foreign Ministry requested that this scholarship holder be sent home permanently with the vacationing students; (20 Jun 67).

~~VARANGULES, ERNESTO~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder was leaving Moscow on 6 June aboard flight SU-047; (4 Jun 67).

~~ARTECHE, IVAN~~, ~~ARTECHE, NELSON~~, ~~MORENO~~, ~~CARBONELL, JUAN~~; ~~CASTANOS, CARLOS~~, ~~VALERA, CASATA~~; The embassy reported that the first four scholarship holders from the Polytechnic Institute in Leningrad and the latter, from the Textile Institute in Leningrad, were leaving Leningrad on 12 June on the ship BIATKA; (8 Jun 67).

~~AVILA LOPEZ, LUPERCIO~~; ~~SUAU, INES~~; ~~ORTEGA, CARMELO~~; ~~PAZ IGLESIAS, TERESA~~; ~~BRAVO, HUMBERTO~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that five scholarship holders (one apprentice, one on vacation with her son, and three graduates respectively) were leaving on 13 June aboard flight SU-407; (13 Jun 67).

~~CALVO, MIGUEL~~; Military scholarship holder at a military school in Moscow, telephone Nr. 464600, extension 590 or number B-20812. Mailing address: Post Office Box 138; (7 Mar 67).

~~CARBONEL, RIDEL~~; ~~AGUILAR, CARIDAD~~; The Foreign Ministry asked that the diplomas of these two former scholarship holders be sent. The luggage of CARBONEL should be sent to Ba Victoria in Nueva Gerona on the Isla de Pinos. The Ministry of Education was informed that he would be traveling on a TU-114 flight on 27 April and that ~~ARMANDO GUERRA~~ who was ill, would travel on the same day aboard the Cubana flight; (19 May 67, 27 Apr 67).

~~CHANG, NELSA~~; The Embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder was leaving on 29 June aboard SU-047 and told them to meet her at the airport with a doctor and ambulance because she was ill; (29 Jun 67).

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~~X~~CLARO ~~X~~MADRUGA; RODOLFO; ~~X~~SILVA ~~X~~NEED, ALFONSO; The embassy ✓
was informed that these two theology scholars were to take
a special three-year course under Professor NIKONSKY. They
did not know Russian and because they did know English they
would like to take the course in English while studying
Russian at the same time; (19 Jun 67).

~~X~~CORDOVE, MARIANELA; The embassy informed the Ministry
of Education that this graduate left on 25 May aboard flight
SU-047; (26 May 67).

~~X~~CORONA, ELVIA and son; ~~X~~MACIAS, ARTURO; ~~X~~NORMAN, ALFREDO;
~~X~~IZNAGA, HILARIO; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education
that, these three scholarship holders and the latter who is in
the scholarship holder office of the embassy were traveling
on the TU flight on 4 July and that possibly four more would
also leave; (4 Jul 67).

~~X~~CRUZ, OMAR; The embassy informed the Ministry of
Education that this scholarship holder was leaving on 8 June
aboard flight SU-047; (8 Jun 67).

~~X~~DEL TORO, MARIANO; ~~X~~JAMET ~~X~~RADO; ENRIQUE; the embassy
informed the Ministry of Education that these graduates were
leaving on 24 June aboard flight SU-047; (24 Jun 67).

~~X~~DIAZ, HECTOR; ~~X~~CAMPANIONI, PABLO; ~~X~~AGUILAR, JORGE;
~~X~~LEONARD, MONICO; ~~X~~RAMOS, JORGE; ~~X~~MATEO, ARACELY; ~~X~~ALVAREZ,
~~X~~PATRICIA; ~~X~~SARCIA, ERNESTO; ~~X~~HERNANDEZ, OSCAR; ~~X~~LOPEZ, NARCISO;
The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these
scholarship holders left on 11 July aboard the TU flight;
(12 Jul 67).

~~X~~ESTENOS ~~X~~MARRERO, JESUS; ~~X~~DIAZ, MARGARITA; ~~X~~ALVAREZ, MARIA
~~X~~CONCEPCION; ~~X~~FARINAS, SONIA; The embassy informed the Ministry
of Education that one scholarship holder who was ill, and
three graduates respectively left on 18 May aboard the flight
SU-047. ALVAREZ took her son and FARINAS took her daughter;
(18 May 67).

~~X~~BERNAZA, LUIS FELIPE; ~~X~~LOPEZ, LUPERCIO; The Foreign
Ministry asked the embassy to inform these ICAIC scholarship
holders that they could come to Cuba to serve their
apprenticeships; (14 Apr 67).

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~~X~~ HERNANDEZ ~~X~~ COFF*N, PEDRO; The Foreign Ministry informed the embassy that the application for this apprentice was rejected; (23 May 67).

~~X~~ GARCIA, MARIA CARIDAD; ~~X~~ MORALES, CESAR; ~~X~~ ALVARADO, FRANCISCO; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these graduates left on 7 March aboard TU-114 because the scholarship was canceled; (8 Mar 67).

~~X~~ GARCIA ~~X~~ FIGAL, ARMANDO; A UJC Committee member in Moscow informed ~~X~~ LAZARO ~~X~~ MORA, in charge of Foreign Relations for UJC, that this mechanical engineering student at the University of Havana should come at once to Moscow to see a specialist about having another operation for burns he suffered in an accident. Money for his passage had been provided, but funds were needed for his stay; (10 Apr 67).

~~X~~ GARCIA ~~X~~ HERNANDEZ, FRANCISCO; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education to inform ~~X~~ MARIO ~~X~~ FLEITES of the Energy Department of the Cujae Electrical Engineering School that because of curriculum problems, the student could specialize in mechanics or in controls. They asked to be informed of the decision within 72 hours. The embassy later stated that because no answer was received the engineering apprentice had been changed from electronic to mechanical engineering; (17 May 67, 26 May 67).

~~X~~ GERAIGE ~~X~~ NASER, EMILIO A.; ~~X~~ RINEDA, JOAQUIN A.; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these graduates were leaving Moscow on 6 June aboard flight SU-047 and asked that their families be notified at phone number 94128; (4 Jun 67).

~~X~~ GODINEZ, IBRAHIN; Student at the Pushkin Military Academy in Leningrad, Suite 757; (23 May 67).

~~X~~ GONZALEZ, JOSESILVIO; ~~X~~ BERDELLANES, DAVID; ~~X~~ WASH, EFREIN; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education to book passages for these Academy of Science students. They left Moscow on 11 May and left Prague for Cuba aboard the Cubana flight of 12 May; (3 May 67, 9 May 67).

~~X~~ GONZALEZ ~~X~~ HERNANDEZ, ROBERTO; The Foreign Ministry informed the embassy that this scholarship holder's parents had received news that he was ill. Confirmation of his health was requested and also whether or not he could come to Cuba; (19 May 67).

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~~X~~ GONZALO, JOSE; AGUSTIN, MANUEL; COBO, SERGIO; The Ministry of Education was informed that these three graduates of the Naval Academy in Odessa were leaving on 3 August aboard the TU flight; (2 Aug 67).

~~X~~ GUERRERO, CLARO; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder, who was ill, was leaving on 7 June on flight SU-047; (6 Jun 67).

~~X~~ GUMA, EMILIO; GONZALEZ MARTIN, DIEGO; LOPEZ, GUILLERMO; The Foreign Ministry reported that a passage was booked for Moscow-Prague-Havana for GUMA and that the Academy of Science had booked a passage for GONZALEZ for Moscow-Prague-Havana. Later, the Foreign Ministry confirmed that the tickets had been purchased. LOPEZ would use the passage booked for GONZALEZ from Prague to Havana; (17 Jun 67, 28 Jun 67).

~~X~~ LADRON DE GUEVARA, CARLOS; The Foreign Ministry asked that the embassy send the certification and grades obtained at the Kiev Preparatory by this former scholarship holder; (29 May 67).

~~X~~ LARA, ESPERANZA; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education to notify this scholarship holder's family in Camaguey that she was well and would be leaving on 2 May aboard the TU flight; (26 Apr 67, 29 Apr 67).

~~X~~ LOPEZ ECHEVARRIA, RAUL; The embassy reported to the Ministry of Education that this graduate left on 27 July aboard the ship KRASNOGRAD from the port in Leningrad; (30 Jul 67).

~~X~~ LOPEZ PEREDA, JOSE A.; ZALDIVAR, MANUEL DE JESUS; HERNANDEZ DE LOS REYES, OSVALDO; The Secretary General of the UJC; RAFAEL VALVAREZ; sent revolutionary greetings via the embassy to these three scholarship holders of the Central Planning Board (JUCEPLAN) in commemoration of the fourteenth anniversary of the workers attack on the Moncada barracks; (25 Jul 67).

~~X~~ LOPEZ VALDES, RAFAEL; scholarship holder in Moscow, Telephone Nr. 320011; (3 Mar 67).

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~~MARIN, JOSE; BARREIRO, MANUEL~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these graduates were leaving on 27 June aboard flight SU-047; (27 Jun 67).

~~MARTINEZ SOLER, FRANCISCO; MARTINEZ SOLER, RUBEN; ALVAREZ, LEOPOLDO; QUESADA SUAREZ, MANUEL~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these scholarship holders would leave 14 June from the port in Leningrad on the ship SAMI GADMI for their vacations; (8 Jun 67).

~~MARTINEZ VALDES, ALINA~~; The Ministry of Education informed the embassy that this scholarship holder should serve her apprenticeship there and asked to be notified if she would be finished before her vacation; (3 Jun 67).

~~MARTIN HERNANDEZ, ILIRA; PEREZ PEROMO, MARCIA; PEREZ, ARMANDO~~ and his wife ~~IRA BIELOBARDOVA~~; The embassy reported to the Ministry of Education that the graduates MARTIN, PEREZ and her son, and the wife of the other graduate were traveling on 29 July aboard flight SU-047; (27 Jun 67).

~~MIERES, RAUL~~; The embassy reported to the Ministry of Education that this Plejanov scholarship holder was leaving for Cuba on the ship KRASNAYA PRESNYA from Odessa; (26 May 67).

~~MONTERO, ORLANDO~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder was not traveling to Cuba by plane, but was leaving on the ship KRASNI AKTIABRIE from Odessa on 28 April; (26 Apr 67).

~~MONTES, NORMA; BATISTA SILV, JOSE LUIS~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these scholarship holders at the University of Lomonosov had served their apprenticeships and were leaving the New Rosik port aboard the ship RABINSTOVA on 26 May for Cuba; (26 May 67).

~~NUNEZ, ORLANDO; CASTELLANOS, JOSE; ALVAREZ SOTERAS, MIGUEL ANGEL Dr.~~; The Foreign Ministry informed the embassy that the two engineering post graduates from the Cuban Institute of Meteorology, who were to specialize in hydro-meteorology at the Academy of Sciences, and Dr. ALVAREZ, who was to take a course in cosmetology for the Ministry of Public Health, were leaving on 27 April aboard the Soviet ship VIBBOG; (28 Apr 67, 13 May 67).

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~~X~~ORAMOS, IDELEONSO; The Cuban Institute of Art and Cinematographic Industry (ICAIC) told the embassy that he should not return now if he had an exam pending, but the embassy should notify ICAIC of his return date; (17 Jun 67).

~~X~~PANTOJA, ELENA; ~~X~~TERRELONGE, SILVIA; ~~X~~FERNANDEZ, LILIANA; ~~X~~CASTILLA, MARICELA; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these scholarship holders had finished their course for instructors of translators and were leaving on flight TU-114; (14 Apr 67).

~~X~~PARDILLO, NORMA; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education to tell her family not to worry. She was ill and would leave for Cuba on 9 May aboard flight SU-047; (5 May 67, 9 May 67).

~~X~~PAZ ~~X~~ESCALANTE, IDA; ~~X~~MORALES, DIEGO; ~~X~~SALAZAR, CALIXTO; The Ministry asked for information about scholarship holder PAZ and the embassy replied that she was fine and would remain there until the end of May. Later the embassy informed the Ministry of Education that PAZ who graduated, MORALES, a graduate, and SALAEAR, who was going on vacation to see his sick wife, were leaving on flight SU-047; (4 May 67, 5 May 67, 14 Jul 67).

~~X~~PAZ ~~X~~IGLESIAS, TERESA; ~~X~~VINA ~~X~~QUINTANA, ANA; The embassy informed the Ministry that the graduate, PAZ IGLESIAS had not been able to leave yet, but would leave with her son on 22 June aboard flight SU-047. The Ministry was asked to notify her family at phone Nr. 30-4395. The embassy also reported that the ICAIC graduate VINA would be leaving on the same flight; (15 Jun 67, 22 Jun 67).

~~X~~PEREZ, AURELIO; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder at the University of Lomonosov who will finish his studies on 15 July requested to serve his apprenticeship in Cuba. He had been planning on this since December. The Foreign Ministry replied that they would try to carry out the plans although they could not guarantee it, but they wanted a copy of the apprenticeship program; (26 May 67, 3 Jun 67).

~~X~~PEREZ, MARIO; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder had left on 16 May aboard the TU flight because of illness; (17 May 67).

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~~X~~PONCE DE LEON ~~X~~ORTEGA, OSSIE MEDARDO; The Foreign Ministry asked the embassy for the address of this scholarship holder because he had not written and his mother was worried; (5 May 67).

~~X~~RAMOS DEL ~~X~~SACO, HIRAM; The Embassy informed the Ministry of Education that the Estonian wife of this scholarship holder at the University of Lomonosov had left for Cuba on 4 May aboard a TU-114 flight; (4 May 67).

~~X~~RAMIREZ, JOSE A.; The Foreign Ministry informed the embassy that the Academy of Sciences wanted the package left at the embassy by this student to be sent on the first plane because it contained books that were needed for the Institute of Meteorology; (4 Jul 67).

~~X~~REYES, HUGO; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education if this scholarship holder should be sent to Prague for the trip home because his mother had cancer. She had an operation, but was doing well. The Ministry said he should come, and he left on the flight TU-114 with two scholarship holders from Bulgaria. Later the embassy reported that he would not pass his course because he had missed classes and had academic offenses; (29 Mar 67, 10 Apr 67, 14 Apr 67, 14 Apr 67, 29 Apr 67).

~~X~~REYES ~~X~~SOLER, LUIS ALFONSO; The Foreign Ministry asked that a program for the hydrology and geology students be sent to him if he does not have one. He and the eleven hydrology and geology scholarship holders should come immediately so that they could serve their apprenticeships before their vacations; (24 May 67, 8 Jun 67).

~~X~~RODRIGUEZ ~~X~~ABELLA, MANUEL; The Ministry of Education repeated its request for certification of his studies; (29 May 67).

~~X~~RODRIGUEZ ~~X~~ALVAREZ, ROLANDO; The Foreign Ministry asked the embassy to find out about the health of this scholarship holder in Kiev because he had not written to his family since November and was ill at that time. He was to be instructed to write home; (14 Apr 67).

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~~X~~ RODRIGUEZ, RAISA; The Embassy reported to the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder was in no condition to travel to Cuba because she had just given birth to a daughter who was sick; (18 Jul 67).

~~X~~ ROMANY --; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this graduate translator was leaving on 27 April aboard a TU-114 flight; (26 Apr 67).

~~X~~ ROSALES, ALFREDO; The Ministry of Education told the embassy that this scholarship holder's family had been informed that he had left Leningrad on a Soviet ship with three others and asked for the names of the boat and the other three scholarship holders; (25 May 67).

~~X~~ RUBIO, RAUL; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder was leaving on 23 May aboard flight SU-047 because of a nervous disorder; (23 May 67, 23 May 67).

~~X~~ RUIZ, MARGRITA; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education to have someone meet this student and her daughter who was ill. They left on 22 June aboard flight SU-047; (22 Jun 67).

~~X~~ SALAZAR, CALIXTO; The embassy asked the Ministry of Education whether this scholarship holder should travel by ship or plane when he finished his work on 5 June. The Ministry confirmed his wife's illness and said he should fly, but should send his baggage by ship. He was later reported to be traveling to Cuba on flight SU-047; (26 May 67, 10 Jun 67; 14 Jul 67).

~~X~~ SANCHEZ, EVELIA; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that this scholarship holder and her daughter were traveling on 27 April aboard the TU flight; (27 Apr 67).

~~X~~ SANCHEZ ONA, JORGE; The embassy was asked for news about this engineering scholarship holder at the Jarkov Technical Institute; (16 May 67).

~~X~~ SOTO, RAMON; ~~X~~ REICOSA, ORLANDO; ~~X~~ FIGUEREDO, CARLOS; ~~X~~ ALVAREZ, TERESITA; ~~X~~ RAVELO, JUSTO; ~~X~~ ALVAREZ, ALBERTO; ~~X~~ FINLAY, LUIS; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that five of these graduate scholarship holders were going to

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travel on 18 July on the TU flight and that ALVAREZ and FINLAY were going to Berlin on vacation; (18 Jul 67).

~~SUAREZ MARGERO, ANTONIO~~; The Ministry of Education informed the embassy that this scholarship holder's father was very ill and that he should be sent home via plane when he had finished his exams; (17 Jun 67).

~~SUAREZ NUNEZ, ANTONIO~~; ~~SUAREZ, LORENZO IVONE~~; ~~BERROA, DIEGO~~; The embassy informed the Ministry of Education that these scholarship holders had left on 3 July aboard the TU flight; (4 Jul 67).

~~TORRES, JORGE~~; The Ministry of Education asked the embassy to inform this scholarship holder that he could send his two-year-old son to the boarding school and should notify the ministry of the arrival date; (18 Apr 67).

~~TRUEBAS FREYRE, ANTONIO~~ (Patronym also appeared as TRUBAS); This scholarship holder's wife, TRESA FREYRE, asked the embassy for news of her husband since she had not been able to reach him by phone nor had she received a letter. Two months later the Ministry told the embassy that he should return for a medical check-up on the ship with the vacationing students which leaves on 20 July; (3 May 67, 14 Jul 67).

~~WONG, LILIA~~; ~~CASTRO, ROLANDO~~; ~~FALCON, GILBERTO~~; The embassy asked that a message be forwarded to INDER saying that these graduates had finished their studies and had left on 20 June aboard Aeroflot flight SU-047; (15 Jun 67, 21 Jun 67).

~~ZAYAS CORRIENTES, ANTONIO~~; The embassy was informed that his father had died and he should try to take the TU flight to Havana. He had finished his studies except for writing his thesis; (29 Mar 67).

--, MARIA EUGENIA; The embassy was informed that she might be returning by ship. Probably an agricultural student; (19 Jun 67).

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