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the 389 cuban ex political prisoners now in the old American embassy building are waiting expectantly for word about their future. They want to go to the United States. And the Cuban government has said that all ex political prisoners have permission to leave the country. But ~~xxxx~~ the ex political prionsers in the american interest section ~~here~~ will have to wait for an agreement between vuban and u.s. authorities. The great complaint of the ex political prisoners . and there are 5000 of them perhaps 20,000 including their families that have indicated their desire to go to the united states = is that they have been processed too slowly for entry visas by the u.s. autnorities. some of them say they have been waiting almost a year since they put their name on a list. at the U.S interest section here.

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