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CASTRO SCORES ECONOMIC DISORDER AND INEFFICIENCY:

HAVANA, DEC 24, REUTER -- CUBAN FIRST PARTY SECRETARY FIDEL CASTRO TOLD A PLENARY SESSION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE YESTERDAY THAT +DISORDER, IRRATIONALITY AND INEFFICIENCY HAD BECOME ENTHRONED+ WITHIN THE CUBAN ECONOMY AND STATE-MANAGERIAL SYSTEM, GRANMA REPORTED TODAY.

CASTRO SPOKE AFTER THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MADE AN ANALYSIS OF NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND PLAN FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT WHICH WILL BE APPROVED BY CUBA'S PARLIAMENT, THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PEOPLE'S POWER, WHICH WILL MEET TOMORROW AND THURSDAY.

CASTRO SAID THAT THE ECONOMIC SHORTCOMINGS WERE THE RESULT OF +NEGATIVE TENDENCIES, DEVIATIONS AND ERRORS WHOSE ERRADICATION CONSTITUTES AN UNAVOIDABLE PREMISE FOR CHANNELING THE CONSTRUCTION OF SOCIALISM ONTO THE CORRECT ROAD AND FULFILLING A TENSE PLAN, ADJUSTED TO OUR EXTERNAL FINANCIAL CAPACITY NEGATIVELY AFFECTED BY THE PRICE OF SUGAR AND THE FALL IN INCOME FROM THE REEXPORT OF OIL THAT WE SAVE.+

IN 1984 AND 1985 CUBA EARNED MORE HARD CURRENCY FROM ITS REEXPORT OF SOVIET OIL THAN IT DID FROM SUGAR EXPORTS. THE SOVIET UNION SUPPLIES CUBA WITH A QUOTA OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTEEN MILLION TONES OF CRUDE OIL ANNUALLY AND ALLOWS IT TO RESELL ON THE WORLD MARKET ANY PART OF IT THAT CAN BE SAVED.

CASTRO SAID TO THE PLENARY SESSION THAT +THE HUMAN FACTOR, IDEOLOGICAL AWARENESS, INFORMATION, CLARIFICATION, ORIENTATION AND MOBILIZATION OF THE MASSES ON A REALISTIC BASIS+ WILL PLAY A DECISIVE ROLE IN THE BATTLE AGAINST SHORTCOMINGS.

THE CUBAN LEADER SAID THAT PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE QUESTIONS OF LABOR EDUCATION, DISCIPLINE AND THE ETHICS AND CULTURE OF WORK. HE SAID HE IS CONVINCED THAT THE COMMUNIST PARTY WILL BE CAPABLE OF MEETING THE CHALLENGE.+

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