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DIP:SHOOTING INCIDENT
WHY CUBAN SECURITY GUARDS FIRED AT U.S. EMBASSY STILL MYSTERY:
HAVANA, SEPT 2, REUTER -- MYSTERY STILL SURROUND THE REASON FOR WHICH SEVERAL ROUNDS OF BULLETS, FIRED APPARENTLY BY CUBAN SECURITY GUARDS, SHATTERED PART OF A HEAVY GLASS DOOR LEADING TO THE CONSULAR SECTION FROM THE STREET AT THE U.S. INTEREST SECTION BUILDING HERE LAST SUNDAY.

THE US. GOVERNMENT PROTESTED THE INCIDENT AS AN UNJUSTIFIED USE OF FIREARMS, A SPOKESMAN AT THE INTEREST SECTION SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ONE WOULD SUPPOSE THAT THE CUBAN SECURITY GUARDS FIRED A SOMEBODY WHO TRIED TO ENTER THE EMBASSY BUILDING. HOWEVER, THERE WERE NO WITNESSES TO THE INCIDENT AND NO EVIDENCE THAT A CUBAN HAD BEEN WOUNDED OR ARRESTED HAS BEEN AVAILABLE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE NUMBER OF CUBAN SECURITY GUARDS THE RUTINELY PATROL THE SIDEWALK OUTSIDE THE EMBASSY BUILDING HAD BEEN INCREASED SINCE THE CUBAN DISSIDENT, RICARDO BOFILL, TOOK REFUGE IN THE FRENCH EMBASSY IN THIS CAPITAL LAST FRIDAY.
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