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:UGANDAN PRESIDENT
PRESIDENT OF UGANDA VISITS THE ISLE OF YOUTH DURING STATE VISIT
HAVANA, JAN 13, REUTER - HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS GREETED PRESIDENT YOWERI MUSEVINI OF UGANDA WHEN HE ARRIVED ON THE ISLE OF YOUTH, SOUTH OF THE CUBAN MAINLAND, WEDNESDAY MORNING, THE CUBAN NEWS AGENCY AIN REPORTED

THE UGANDAN LEADER ARRIVED IN CUBA ON SUNDAY FOR A FIVE DAY OFFICIAL VISIT.

PRESIDENT MUSEVINI WAS GREETED BY SONGS AND TRADITIONAL DANCES OF CUBA AND OTHER NATIONS, AIN SAID. THOUSANDS OF SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM NICARAGUA, GHANA, MOZAMBIQUE, ANGOLA, NAMIBIA, ZIMBABWE AND OTHER THIRD WORLD NATIONS STUDY ON THE ISLAND.

ACCOMPANIED BY CUBAN COMMUNIST PARTY POLITBURO :MEMBER: JORGE RISQUET, THE UGANDAN PRESIDENT VISITED THE FORMER PENITENTIARY WHERE FIDEL CASTRO SPENT EIGHTEEN MONTHS IN 1954 AND 1955 FOR TRYBING TO OVERTHROW THE REGIME OF CUBAN DICTATOR FULGENCIO BATISTA. THE PENITENTIARY IS NOW AN HISTORICAL MUSEUM, AIN REPORTED..

PRESIDENT MUSEVINI IS EXPECTED TO VISIT A SCHOOL AND PRODUCTION CENTERS DURING WEDNESDAY'S VISIT TO THE ISLE OF YOUTH. THE ISLAND: FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE ISLE OF PINES IS PURPORTED TO BE THE FAMOUS TREASURE ISLAND OF THE BRITISH AUTHOR: ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON. IT NOW HAS EXTENSIVE CITRUS GROVES, A MARBLE QUARRY AND A FACTORY THAT PRODUCES CERAMICS.

WESTERN DIPLOMATS HAVE SPECULATED THAT CUBA MIGHT INVITE UGANDA TO SEND STUDENTS TO THE ISLE OF PINES. EACH SCHOOL FOR FOREIGNERS ON THE ISLAND HAS AN ENROLLMENT OF APRROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED.

LAST MONDAY THE UGANDAN DELEGATION HEADED BYH PRESIDENT MUSEVINI HELD OFFICIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH CUBAN PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO AND OTHER CUBAN LEADERS. ON TUESDAY, PRESIDENT CASTRO ACCOMAPNIED HIS AFRICAN GUEST ON A VISIT TO A LARGE CATTLE BREEDING FARM NEAR HAVANA.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH CUBAN TELEVISION PRESIDENT MUSEVINI SAID THAT HIS COUNTRY IS INTERESTED IN STEPPING UP TRADE AND TECHNOLOGICAL COLLABORATION WITH CUBA.
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