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CUBAN PARTY NEWSPAPER CONFIRMS GORBCHEV VISIT TO ISLAND:
HAVANA, DEC 3, REUTER - SATURDAY'S OFFICIAL CUBAN COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER, GRANMA, CONFIRMED EARLIER REPORTS THAT SOVIET LEADER, MIKHAIL GORBACHEV WILL MAKE A THREE DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO CUBA BEGINING DECEMBER 9.

THE NEWSPAPER SAID HE WOUULD COME IN RESPONSE TO AN INVITATION BY CUBAN PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO.

GORBACHEV WILL FLY TO HAVANA FROM NEW YORK WHERE HE WILL ADDRESS THE UNITED NATIONS AND MEET WITH PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN AND PRESIDENT-ELECT, GEORGE BUSH.

NO DETAILS WERE GIVEN ABOUT HIS AGENDA IN CUBA BUT A SOVIET DIPLOMAT TOLD REUTER HE WILL HOLD BOTH OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH CASTRO AND MAKE VISITS TO CUBAN FACTORIES, FARMS AND SCHOOLS.

THE LAST SOVIET LEADER TO VISIT CUBA WAS LEONID BREZHNEV WHO SPENT SEVEN DAYS ON THE ISLAND IN 1974.
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