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CUBA SEIZES U.S. BOAT WITH SIX TONNES OF MARIJUANA:
HAVANA, JUNE 1: REUTER - CUBA COASTGUARDS SEIZED A U.S.-REGISTERED BOAT LADEN WITH SIX TONNES (13,200 POUNDS) OF MARIJUANA AND DETAINED THE THREE CREW MEMBERS. THE OFFICIAL DAILY NEWSPAPER SAID ON WEDNESDAY.

THE ARRESTS TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY WHEN NAURO CAYETANO NUNEZ, FROM MIAMI, WINSTON DEHSON WIRRONT AND OCTAVIO GERMAN DEMARCE JOVES, BOTH FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIOLATED CUBAN TERRITORIAL WATERS ABOARD THE +CARIBBEAN KING+, NORTH OF HOLGUIN PROVINCE, ON THE EASTERN PART OF THE ISLAND, GRANMA SAID.

THE DRUG WAS INCINERATED.

IN FEBRUARY, ANOTHER U.S. BOAT LADEN WITH 3.45 TONNES (7,700 POUNDS) OF MARIJUANA WAS SEIZED AND FOUR SUSPECTS WERE ARRESTED.

PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO SAID IN FEBRURY THAT A TOTAL OF 375 DRUG SMUGGLERS, INCLUDING 108 AMERICANS, WERE CAPTURED AND JAILED IN CUBA OVER THE PAST 18 YEARS, AND 359,366 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA AND 2,619 POUNDS OF COCAINE WERE SEIZED.
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