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:CUBA-RIGHTS (CORRECTED READTHROUGH)
7U.N .NHUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIION GROUP TO VISIT CUBA IN AUGUST:
HAVAN,A, MAY 20, REUTER - A COMITTEE FROM THE U.N HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION WILL VISIT CUBA IN AUGUST IN COMPLIANCE WITH A DECISION MADE LAST MARCH AT THE MEETING OF THE COMMISSION IN GENEVA, ACCORDING TO CUBAN VICE-MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RAUL ROA.

ROA'S ANNOUNCEMENT WAS CARRIED IN FRIDAY'S OFFICIAL COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER, GRANMA.

ROA, WHO WAS THE CUBAN DELEGATION TO GENEVA IN MARCH SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL BE HEADED BY THE RESIDENT OF THE U.N HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, ALIONE SENE OF SENEGAL AND WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM COLOMBIA, NIGERIA, BULGARIA, IRELAND AND THE PHILLIPINES WHO WERE CHOSENON A REGIONAL BASIS.

THE CUBAN VICE-MINITER SAID THAT THE CUBAN REPRESENTATIVE NOW IN GENEVA WILL DICUSS THE PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE VISITING COMMITTEE WITH OFFICIALS OF THE U.N HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.

ACCORDING TO CUBAN OFFICIALS, IT IS LIKELY THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL VIST CUBAN PRISONERS AND HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO HIGH CUBAN OFFICIALS, CURENT AND FORMER POLITICAL PRISONERS AND DISSIDENTS.

THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT IS TO LOOK INTO THE STATUS OF HUMAN RIGHTS ON THE ISLAND. THE VISIT WAS PROPOSED BY A GROUP OF LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS AT THE MARCH GENEVA MEETING IN A MOVE TO BLOCK THE APPROVAL OF A MORE STRONGLY WORDED U.S RESOLUTION. AT THE TIME, LATIN AMERICAN DIPLOMATS IN HAVANA CALLED THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE LATIN AMERICAN IDEA +A PREEMPTIVE STRIKE.+
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