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FURTHER INFORMATION ON SOVIET/CUBAN TRADE

1. An additional 8 ships have been noted in COMINT as currently en route or possibly en route Cuba. The following details concerning the additional ships are available. Read in six columns: Ship [C/S]/Gross Tons/Tons Declared/Port Declared/Probable Destination/Area of Departure, and Remarks.

BRATSK' [ULAC]/5518/xxxx/xxxx/Cuba/Baltic

FRIDRIKH ZHOLIO KYURI' [UQDP]/12285/2400 general/Conakry/Cuba/Black Sea, 2nd trip

CHERNYAKHOVSK' [UQNH]/5400/1911 general/Conakry/possibly Cuba/Baltic, 2nd trip

L'GOV' [UQMH]/5302/xxxx/xxxx/Cuba/Baltic, 2nd trip

KISLOVODSK' [UIWR]/5419/xxxx/xxxx/Cuba/Baltic, 2nd trip

AL'MET'EVSK' [UKKB]/5411/xxxx/xxxx/Cuba/Baltic, 2nd trip

BERDYANSK' [UIWP]/5436/xxxx/xxxx/Cuba/Baltic

METALLURG KURAKO' [UEHM]/12016/2005 general/Accra/possibly Cuba/Black Sea, 2nd trip

2. Current COMINT has also indicated several Soviet merchant ships which are completing or have completed voyages to Cuba. The following details concerning these ships are available. Read in eight columns: Ship [C/S]/Gross Tons/Tons Declared/Port Declared/Date Arrival Cuba/Date Departure Cuba/Area of Departure/Known Cargo.

KHIRUG VISHNEVSKIJ' [UYOK]/12285/1300 general/Accra/16 Aug/xxxx/Black Sea/
personnel carrier on deck

BOL'SHEVIK SUKHLANOV' [UJYP]/6660/xxxx/xxxx/26 July/xxxx/Black Sea/xxxx

USSERLIJSK' [UYIE]/5628/xxxx/xxxx/17 July/approx. 19 Aug/Vladivostok/general cargo

CHERNYAKOVSK [UQNH]/5400/xxxx/xxxx/15 July/approx 30 July/Baltic/general cargo

SOLNECHNOGORSK' [UJVR]/9935/xxxx/xxxx/14 July/12 August/Black Sea/general cargo

3. Three ships previously reported as being possibly en route Cuba have now been definitely established as en route Cuba. ~~SECRET~~ These are the POLTAVA' [URDQ], the FIZIK LEBEDEV' [UYTV], and the LENINSKIJ KOMSOMOL' [UQIM].

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4. Three ships previously reported as being possibly en route Cuba have now been established as being en route ports other than Cuba. (~~████████████████████~~)

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5. The above figures bring to 87 the total number of Soviet voyages (excluding tankers) to Cuba in third quarter (calendar) 1962. These voyages represent a total of 596,131 gross tons to Cuba thus far in the current quarter. The total gross tonnage to Cuba in the second quarter (calendar) 1962 was 340,151.

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