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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 11, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL JOSEPH RALSTON
VICE CHAIRMAN, JCS

FROM: JAMES STEINBERG

SUBJECT: Cuban Migrants at Guantanamo

As you may be aware, there are now 89 Cuban migrants at Guantanamo. Slightly more than half have been found by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to meet the international refugee definition and are awaiting resettlement in a third country. The rest are awaiting final determinations by INS. (A small number of this latter group credibly claim to face punishment in Cuba for migration-related offenses and, consistent with our overall policy, are being held at Guantanamo while we seek assurances from the Cuban government that they will not be imprisoned or otherwise severely punished for these offenses.)

I want to let you know about interagency efforts to decrease the number of Cubans at Guantanamo. First, INS has increased its adjudicators from one to two and added one administrative official to ensure that the current pending cases, as well as new arrivals, are quickly processed. INS also sent several senior staff to Guantanamo recently to evaluate whether there are other actions it could take to further improve its operation.

Second, the Department of State has obtained agreements with several governments (Spain, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Chile, and Argentina) to resettle all of the Cubans currently at Guantanamo who have been deemed to require protection. However, because of diplomatic sensitivities relating to an upcoming Ibero-American Summit in early November and the time it generally takes for another country to process a case for resettlement, we do not expect most of these cases to move until late November or December. Nevertheless, we hope that all of these cases will have departed Guantanamo by the end of the calendar year.

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Understanding that resettlement requirements will be ongoing as additional migrants are interdicted, we have also obtained commitments to accept future protection cases from most of these countries.

We continue to appreciate the assistance of the Department of Defense in housing and providing for the basic needs of these migrants. As you know, we are actively working on a final proposal for a new burden-sharing arrangement for this part of the operation, and hope to have this completed by the end of this month.

Please let me know if you have further questions or concerns.

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

THROUGH: ERIC SCHWARTZ *ES*

FROM: SCOTT BUSBY *SB*

SUBJECT: Cuban Migrants at Guantanamo

Following a recent e-mail to you about the situation at Guantanamo and our efforts to address an increase in the number of migrants, you requested the attached note to General Ralston summarizing the same.

Concurrence by: *SB for* Jeff De Laurentis

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign and forward the attached memorandum at Tab I.

Attachment

Tab I Memorandum to General Ralston

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