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MEMORANDUM FOR: The President  
FROM : George Bush  
Director  
SUBJECT : The Cuban Presence in Africa

1. On 6 April I briefed the House Republican Conference on Cuban involvement in Africa. I was struck by the extent to which the Cubans have extended their presence in Africa during the past few years. The magnitude of this presence is shown in the attached graphic.

2. In 1970 Havana had diplomatic relations with only seven African governments; today, it has relations with 30 governments. Cuban activity in Africa is most pronounced, of course, in Angola where we estimate there are 13,000 to 15,000 Cubans. In addition, there are now upwards of 2,000 Cuban advisors and technicians--military and civilian--in other African countries. These countries, and our estimates of the number of Cubans in each, are also shown in the attached graphic. A more detailed description of what the Cubans are doing is presented in the attached table.

*George Bush*  
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Attachments

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