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Cuba Claims U.S. Sentry Shot Soldier

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HAVANA, June 26 — The Cuban government charged today that a U.S. sentry at the Guantanamo naval base shot and seriously wounded a Cuban soldier last night.

The statement said the Cuban was hit in the chest by one of two bullets fired by a U.S. Marine sentry. The second bullet was said to have been fired at a Cuban who went to aid the wounded man. On June 10 a similar Cuban charge was denied by the State Department.

[In Washington, the United States denounced the new charge as "completely false," adding that the U.S. guard detail was not posted until 30 minutes after the time of the alleged incident.

"This is the second time during the past 16 days the Cuban government has fabricated such a story," the State Department said.]