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OAS Votes

Today on Cuba Talks

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The Council of the Organization of American States yesterday postponed until today a vote on the time and place of a Foreign Ministers' conference that will be called to determine what action should be taken against Cuba for its subversive activities in Venezuela.

Brazilian OAS Ambassador Ilmar Penna Marinho requested the delay at a Council meeting in the Pan-American Union Building, arguing that he had not yet received instructions from his government regarding the desirability of the proposed date for the meeting July 21. The conference will take place here, it is understood.

The Foreign Ministers, acting under the Rio Treaty, are expected to pass a resolution making it obligatory for all OAS nations to cut off trade with Cuba and recommending that member countries still maintaining diplomatic relations with Havana sever them, too.

It is believed that the Council will pass today the resolution regarding a Foreign Ministers' meeting since a necessary majority of members are known to favor such a move as well as compulsory sanctions against Cuba.

Even Chile, which has been vigorously holding out against the compulsory aspect of the sanctions, announced that it approved of the Foreign Ministers' Conference.