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## **Castro Would See Kissinger**

## Havana

tro said Tuesday night that tee, staff member Pat Holt, he is willing to hold talks with U.S. Secretary of State the authorization of the Henry Kissinger if the United States lifts its trade embargo.

was about to meet a representative of the U.S. Senate Cuban Premier Fidel Cas- Foreign Relations 'Commitwho has traveled here with State Department.

In remarks to Agence France - Presse made dur-Castro disclosed that he ing a visit to the Argentinian

embassy, Castro said the State Department's approval of Holt's visit might signify "a certain change" in U.S. policy.

Describing Kissinger as a "realist," Castro said he has no objections to meeting him for talks on the condition that the blockade ceases

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"It has no logical or moral. justification," he said.

Castro observed that the United States trades with the Socialist countries of Europe on a large scale. "So why do we have to suffer a blockade which lacks any basis?" he asked.

He said Holt's visit had views the committee's initiabeen suggested by Senator J. William Fulbright, the committee chairman. Fulbright had conveyed the committee's interest in observing Cuba through its own sources with a view to the conduct of its policy.

The Cuban government

tive as "positive," Castro said. 200

Cuba has proved that victorious resistance. to, the United States is possible, Castro also said. Washington cannot maintain the embargo indefinitely; he added.

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