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(ADVANCE) NEW YORK, APRIL 19 (AP)-FIDEL CASTRO SAID IN AN
INTERVIEW BROADCAST TONIGHT HE BELIEVES BTH THE UNITED STATES AND CUBA
SHOULD MAKE CONCESSIONS TOWARD RESTORING NORMAL RELATIONS.

CASTRO SAID HE ONCE HAD FELT THAT THE LATE PRESIDENT KENNEDY "WAS IN
THE WAY OF PERSUADING HIMSELF OF HIS MISTAKES ABOUT CUBA," AND THAT
SOME SORT OF CHANGE IN U.S. POLICY HAD BEEN IN THE MAKING. HE
INDICATED CUBA IS WATCHING AND WAITING WITH REGARD TO PRESIDENT
JOHNSON'S ADMINISTRATION.

CASTRO'S INTERVIEW WITH LISA HOWARD OF THE AMERICAN BROADCASTING CO.
WAS RECORDED IN HAVANA FEB.12 AND APPEARED AS PART OF A DOCUMENTARY.

"KENNEDY, AFTER THREE YEARS AS PRESIDENT OOF THE UNITED STATS, HAD
MUCH MORE EXPERIENCE THAN HE HAD AT THE BEGINING," THE CUBAN PRIME
MINISTER SAID. "...MY OPINION IS THAT HE WAS IN THE WAY OF PERSUADING
HIMSELF OF HIS MISTAKES ABOUT CUBA... I DO NOT WANT TO MAKE A SPECU-
LATION ABOUT THAT. BUT I HAD SOME EVIDENCE THAT SOME CHANGE WAS TAKING
PLACE IN THE MIND OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES."

CASTRO SAID THE CUBANS "DO NOT KNOW JOHNSON'S THINKING (AND) ARE
OBSERVING WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO ABOUT CUBA."

"YOU ASK ME WHAT WE ARE WILLING TO CONCEDE," HE ADDED. "I THINK
SOME CONCESSIONS OUGHT TO BE MADE BY BOTH PARTIES, FOR THE UNITED STATES
AND FOR CUBA. I THINK A PEACE POLICY MEANS MUTUAL CONCESSIONS,
DIGNITY."

CASTRO DID NOT ELABORATE ON WHAT CONCESSIONS HE THOUGHT SHOULD BE
MADE BY EITHER SIDE.

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THE CUBAN LEADER DECINED TO BE PINNED DOWN ON HIS POSITION IN THE
WORLD COMMUNIST ARGUMENT PRODUCED BY THE CHINESE-SOVIET SPLIT. HE
SAID HE THOUGHT THE PROBLEM SOONER OR LATER WOULD BE SOLVED AND "OF
COURSE, THIS IS NOT THE PLACE WHERE I HAVE TO GIVE MY OPINION
ABOUT THAT PROBLEM."

"THE CUBAN OPINION WILL BE GIVEN AT THE PROPER OPPORTUNITY, AT
SOME CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES," HE ADDED.

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