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1. FROM 11 OCT ISSUE OF HAVA NEWSPAPER REVOLUCION HAVE FOLL:
"THE SHEVCHENKO OPERA AND BALLET GROUP, ARRIVED FROM THE UKRAINE,
USSR, HAS COMPLETED PERFORMANCES IN THE PROVINCES OF ORIENTE,
CAMAGUEY, LAS VILLAS AND HAVANA (PRESENT IN OUR CAPITAL FROM 2 TO
6 OCT), WILL MAKE DEBUT IN CITY OF PINAR DEL RIO 11 AND 12 OCT AND
IN ARTEMISA ON 13 OCT".

2. FROM ROTOGRAVURE SECTION OF REVOLUCION 14 OCT HAVE LONG
ARTICLE WITH PHOTOS RE BALLET, PERTINENT PORTIONS OF WHICH FOLL:
BALLET HAS HAD SUCCESSFUL TOUR IN INTERIOR OF REPUBLIC AT VAPACEPO,
SANTIAGO DE CUBA, CAMAGUEY, MORON,
SANTA CLARA, CIENFUEGOS AND MATANZAS. PICTURES AND TEXT MENTION FOLL
PERSONALITIES OF 25 MEMBER GROUP WHICH IN CUBA: DIRECTOR VIKTOR
YONKAP DANCERS VALENTINA KALINOVSKAYA; VALEVIY KRUSKOV, VENIR
PARSEGOV, YEVGENIYA VERSHOUA; VIOLINISTA ABRAHAM SERN; SINGERS
LARISSA RUDENKO, PITA MARTIPOSIOVA AND CATALINA DEFRIEANKO. ARTICLE
CONCLUDED WITH STATEMENT THAT GROUP WILL MEET WITH CONSEJO NACIONAL DE CULTURA AND CTC-4 BEFORE LEAVING CUBA FOR THEIR RETURN TO THE AIRPORT.

3. ABOVE NEWSPAPERS AND OTHERS GIVEN STATION BY LITAPIL-9, BUT SCANNING DONE BY STAFFERS.

4. HAVE NO INFO WHATSOEVER OF GROUP TOUR PLANNED HERE OR ELSEWHERE.

FOUCHING PARA 2 ARTICLE.

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C/O CONSENT: REQUESTED STA SCAN HAVANA NEWSPAPERS FROM 6 SEP ON FOR ANY REFERENCES TO GRENADA OPERA AND BALLET GROUP FROM KIEV.