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Summary:

Jelen discusses Cuba's representation at the UN and meetings between U Thant and Cuban leadership officials.

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From: [Ambassador Boleslaw] JELEN1

According to unofficial information, the first conference with U Thant is said to have been difficult even though they have not yet discussed the issue of inspections. The Cuban side is said to have pressed the issue of the necessity to guarantee that the "5 points" proposed by Fidel Castro are taken into consideration. Cuba's hardline position is expected on the issue of inspections. [Cuba's Foreign Minister Raúl Garcia] Roa is expected to leave for the U.N. Goulart's emissary [Gen. Albino Silva] left [Cuba] - as of now we still do not have the content of his conversations; he also met with U Thant.

The appointment of [Carlos] Lechuga as [Cuba's] permanent representative to the UN is generally understood as a tendency toward a more flexible position [of Cuba] in this [international] forum.

[1] Poland's ambassador to Cuba (1961-1965).