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Letter dated 13 February 1990 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Cuba to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights

I have the honour to express to you, on instructions from my Government, Cuba's reservation concerning the credentials presented by a self-styled government of Panama to Mr. Jan Martenson, Under-Secretary-General, accrediting a delegation to the forty-sixth session of the Commission on Human Rights.

As is widely known, since the military invasion of Panama by the United States armed forces, that country is in the charge of the Chief of the United States Southern Command, who is directing the occupation forces. Consequently, my Government considers that the self-styled Panamanian authorities and those who claim to represent Panama in this forum have no legitimacy whatsoever and thus expressly places this view on record.

I would request you kindly to circulate this letter as an official document of the Commission, in connection with the credentials of delegations to the forty-sixth session.

Accept, Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed): Raúl Roa Kouri
Deputy Minister for Foreign
Affairs of the Republic of Cuba
Head of the Delegation of Cuba