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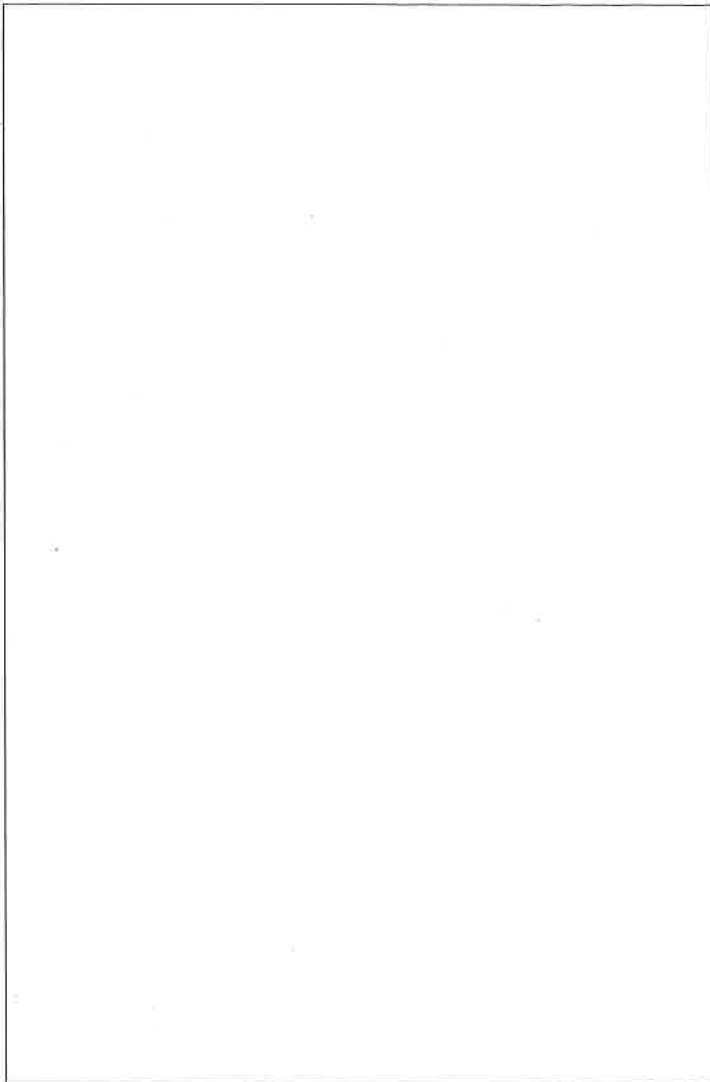
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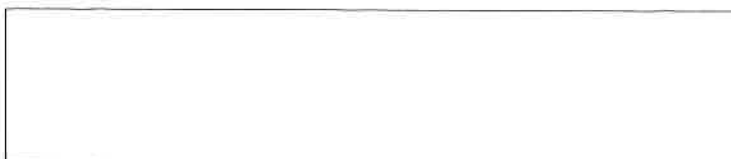


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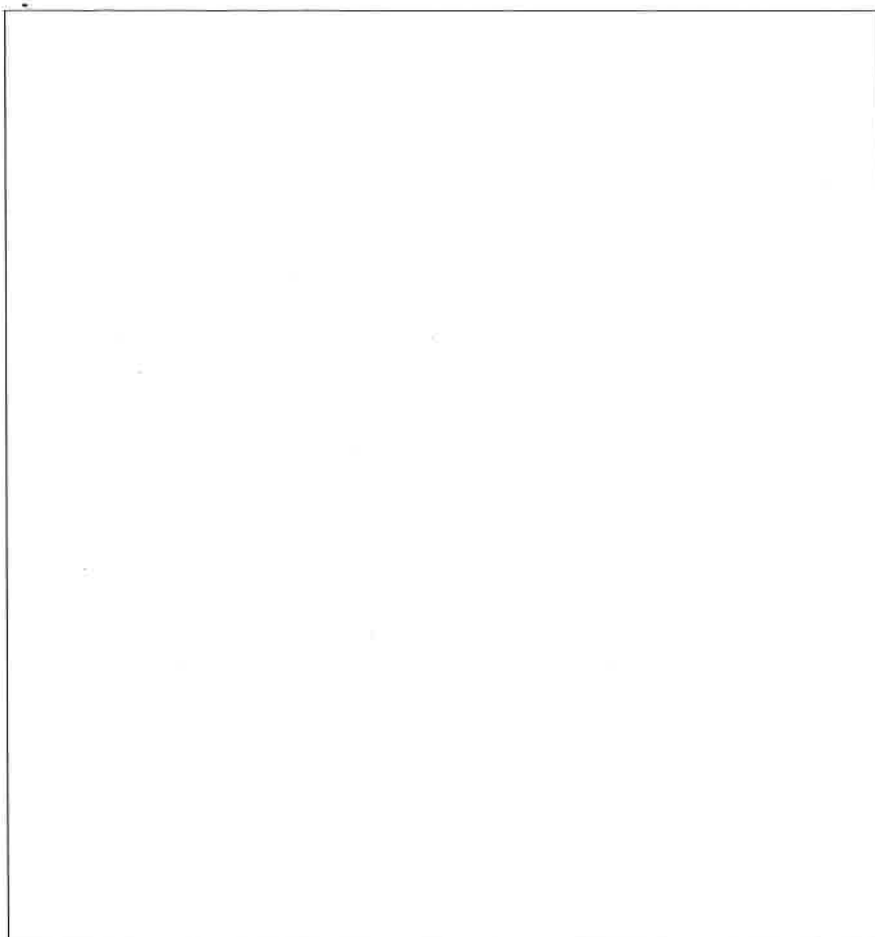
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4. THE SCALE OF THE ADMISSIONS INCLUDING
DETAILS OF EXCHANGES WITH DRUG LORDS IN CUBA AND
OUTSIDE, E.G., A MEETING WITH PABLO ESCOBAR, WILL
SHOCK CUBAN AND FOREIGN READERS BUT WILL LEND AN AIR OF
CREDIBILITY TO THE GOC CLAIM THAT IT IS BARING
ALL THE FACTS IN THESE CASES. THERE COULD HAVE
BEEN EVEN MORE OPERATIONS THAN ADMITTED TO, BUT
THE POLITICAL AND PR DIFFERENCE IN ADMITTING TO
6 TONS OF COCAINE OR TO 12 TONS IS NOT VERY MUCH.



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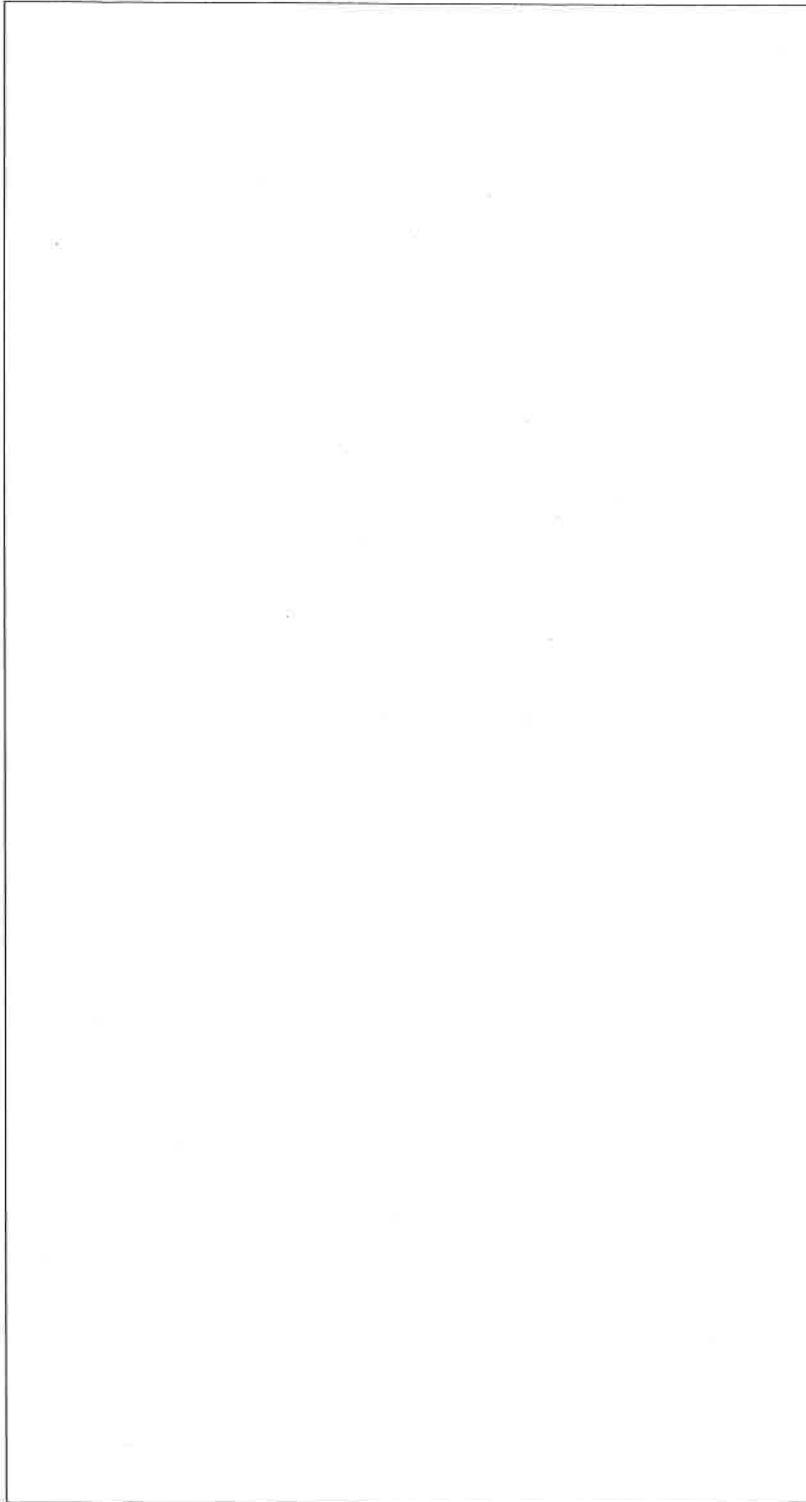
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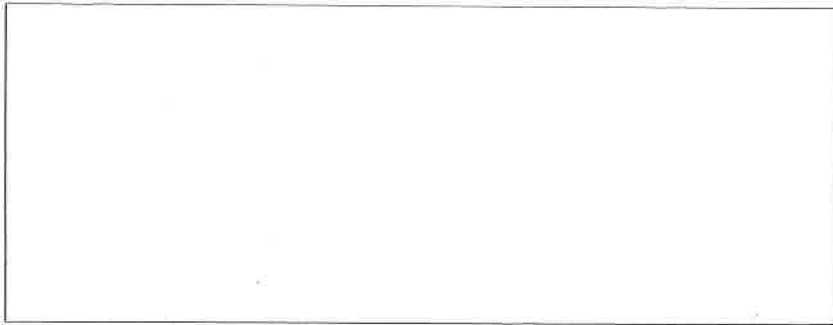
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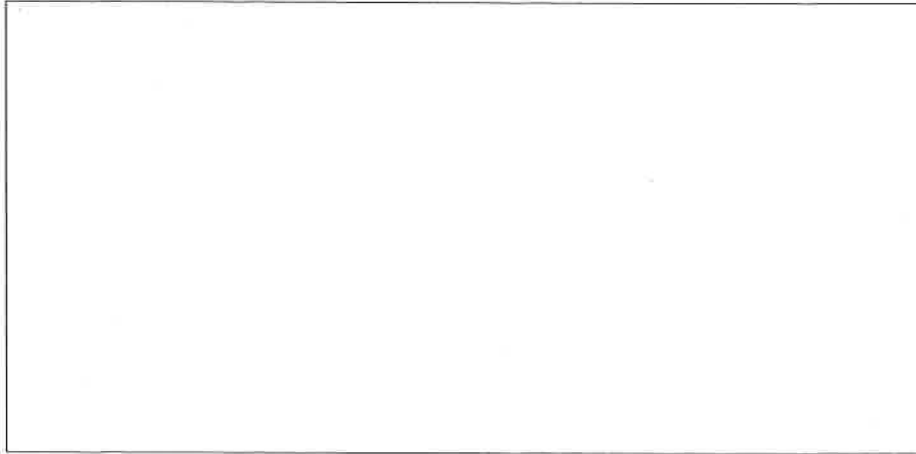
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