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On April 9, 80 metric tons of lubricants donated by a Mexican solidarity group arrived in Cuba. Several hundred people, including more than 40 Mexicans, were at dockside in Havana to welcome the Cuban ship Hokkai and its oil cargo. The lubricants, valued at over US$100,000, were purchased for Cuba from the Mexican state-run oil company PEMEX by the "Va por Cuba" ("This Goes for Cuba") solidarity organization. Va por Cuba organized a nationwide collection in Mexico to make the purchase. Cuban trade official Manuel Menendez said the oils would be sufficient to keep the island's nickel industry going for three to four months. Alternatively, it would be enough to keep public transport buses in Havana running for 23 days. (Basic data from Reuters, 04/09/92)

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