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On Sept. 21, unidentified diplomatic sources told AFP that Cuba and Romania will become non-permanent members of the UN Security Council, as of January 1. The General Assembly, which opened Sept. 19, is to choose the five non-permanent seats up for election this year. They will replace Algeria, Brazil, Nepal, Senegal and Yugoslavia. They join Canada, Colombia, Ethiopia, Finland and Malaysia, alongside the Council's permanent members Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the US. Under UN procedures, each of the regional groupings represented in the organization nominates candidates to serve two-year terms on the Security Council. Five of the 10 non-permanent seats are filled each year by a vote of the full General Assembly. AFP's sources said Cuba was put forward as the sole candidate this year by the 33 members of the Latin America and Caribbean grouping. (Basic data from AFP, 09/21/89)

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