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On Sept. 7, Panamanian immigration official Ruben Alvarez announced that with the assistance of the Cuban American Foundation, 1,128 Cuban refugees will be resettled in the US during the next month. Resettlement efforts began two months ago. In the past 10 years, nearly 15,000 Cubans sought refuge in Panama, reportedly paying officials of the former military regime between \$10,000 and \$20,000 apiece for visas and other required documents. Many then migrated illegally to the US. (Basic data from AFP, 09/07/90)

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