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Mr. Fish to Mr. Lopez Roberts.

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Mr. Fish to Mr. Sickle

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Mr. Sickles to Mr. Fish.

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Mr. Sickles to Mr. Fish.
SEPTEMBER, 14, 1869.

flis Excellency then informed me that a report rom the Captain General of Cuba had been called for in relation to the cases of Speakman and Wyeth, and if the facts were as elleged, full reparation rould be made to the families of the deceased; and he added that orders had been given to preven classes of cruely in the Inture conduct of the

Mr. Fish to Mr. Lopez Roberts. Washington, July 16, 1869.

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Mr. Lopez Roberts to Mr. Fish.

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Page 115. "Whenever an insurrection against the state lithed government of a country takes place the duty of government of a south takes place the duty of government of a south takes place the duty of government of the state of the duty of government of the duty of the

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MAURICIO LOPEZ ROBERTS.

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Mir. Fish to Mr. Lopez Roberts.

Washington, Oct. 13, 1861.

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The Attorney General (Mr. Hoar) to M Fish.

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