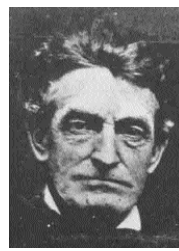




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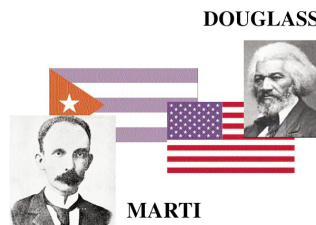
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On February 11th 1990, Nelson Mandela was released. Indeed the world became a different place. The illegitimate and much condemned government of South Africa was forced to reverse its brutal course and it gained a modicum of respect throughout the world.

There can be no question the government of the United States of America played a part in creating the context of this event. Some of its intentions were morally conceived, most were not. However the people of the United States of America rejoiced with the rest of the world, as they understood the progress this represented. With the small bit of dignity gleaned on the world stage in this act by the South African government many seeds of justice were planted. Courage, respect, and legitimacy were derived from the release of a political prisoner.

Rubbing on our national conscience is an overtly political case of African proportions. In his inaugural address United States President Obama declared "our security emanates from the justness of our cause, the force of our example" yet we are imprisoning Five Cubans for opposing terrorism emanating from our own shores. Their trial and their treatment in detention have been overtly political. Our media have censored their plight. On the anniversary of the release of Nelson Mandela it would be appropriate for our government to release these political prisoners.