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AMB DCM POL DAO MILGP USIS	<p>1. Ambassador has received first person note dated February 18 from Honduran Foreign Minister Edgardo Paz Barnica. Free translation follows:</p> <p>2. BEGIN TEXT: Mr. Ambassador, I have the honor to bring to the attention of your illustrious government the telegraphic message which on this date I have sent to the Foreign Minister of Nicaragua, Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockman. In this message, the freely-elected government of Honduras, presided over by Doctor Roberto Suazo Cordova, again demonstrates the faithful observance of the xxxx principles of non-intervention and respect for the self-determination of peoples, as</p>		

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well as a conduct of effective neutrality, as essential tenets which govern the foreign policy of my country.

3. The text of the telegraphic message to Minister D'Escoto is as follows:

4. Tegucigalpa, 18 February 1983. ^{XX} Excellency Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockman, Foreign Minister, Managua, Nicaragua. 052

I have the honor to extend to your excellency a cordial invitation so that you, in my company, may visit the border region between our two countries. The purpose of such visit would be so that you could see for yourself how unfounded is the tendentious campaign being waged internationally by the Government of Nicaragua to cast doubt on Honduras' neutrality with respect to the internal conflict which ~~a~~ your country is experiencing. Your excellency may specify places where there are supposedly counterrevolutionary camps in the certainty that you will be convinced that the constitutional and democratic government of Honduras ^{strictly} ~~strictly~~ respects the principle of non-intervention in the affairs of other states and the right of self-determination of peoples. In the hope that your excellency will see fit to accept this invitation, extended with the sincere spirit of compromise which characterizes my government in its struggle for regional peace, I would very much appreciate your indicating to me a place and date for a meeting so that I may make the necessary arrangements. I reiterate to your excellency sentiments of my highest and most distinguished consideration. Edgardo Paz Barnica, Minister of Foreign Relations

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