

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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Judge William Webster
Director of Central Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Judge Webster:

As you know, determining responsibility for the murder of the Rector of the University of Central America and his colleagues is a matter of the highest priority to this Administration. The President and the Secretary of State have made clear to the Salvadoran authorities that we expect a thorough investigation and vigorous prosecution of the perpetrators. Furthermore, both houses of Congress have passed resolutions making clear that a vigorous investigation will be a crucial determinant of U.S. assistance to El Salvador.

I request that as a complement to our efforts to ensure a vigorous investigation by Salvadoran authorities, the intelligence community devote the maximum possible resources and efforts to developing information regarding the perpetrators of this crime and provide such information to the Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs and to the Ambassador to El Salvador on a regular basis.

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In addition, we would appreciate on an urgent basis information regarding the military units present in the area at the time of the killings, and the orders issued to such units. We are asking the ESAP to explain how a group of assassins could fire

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asking the ESAF to explain how a group of assassins could fire substantial ordnance for over a half an hour in an area patrolled by the military without a response. Obtaining independent information regarding this aspect would significantly advance our efforts.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Baker, III

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