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1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. Ambassador discussed airfield improvement proposal with GOH Minister to the Presidency Carlos Flores on Sunday, February 7 and again briefly with President Suazo on Saturday, February 13.
3. The President is in the process of consulting with his closest advisors as to constitutional implications of an access agreement along the lines proposed by Washington. The vibrations have been positive but a

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final reply has not yet been forthcoming.

4. In conversation with Honduran CINC afternoon February 17, CINC advised Ambassador that Honduran armed forces fully supported proposal and had so informed the President. CINC added his personal view that access agreement would require a public debate in and approval by Honduran Congress.

5. Ambassador has meeting scheduled with President Suazo for 10:00 a.m. Friday, February 19 at which we hope to receive more definitive Honduran reply.

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