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CLASSIFICATION FROM AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA CN: 6336 Discient vil 1645 KRY XDS-2 7/30/02 (NEGROPONTE, JOHN D.) OR-M E.O. MANAX PEPR, HO, NU, XK TAGS: U.S. RESPONSE TO GRN'S MAY 7 REPLY SUBJECT: SECSTATE WASHDC ACTION: INFO: AMEMBASSY BOGOTA AMEMBASSY CARACAS AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA AMEMBASSY MANAGUA AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE AMENBASSY SAN SALVADOR SECRET TEGUCIGALPA 6 3 3 6 exdis 🔝 DECAPTIONED STATE 198391 REF: WEART - ENTIRE TEXT 2. Ambassador briefed Honduran Foreign Minister Paz Barnica on above subject morning July 30. Paz Barnica expressed appreciation for our keeping him posted. Ambassador also mentioned our offer to provide technical assistance to AMB Nicaragua in locating DRU headquarters per STATE 203975. DCM 3. On CADC, Paz Barnica said that technical meeting originally POL-2 scheduled for July 21 had been rescheduled to third week of August. Reason for delay was request for postponement

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by Costa Rican Foreign Minister Volio in light of current

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problems in Costa Rican/Nicaraguan relations.

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Dept of State, RPS/IPS, Margaret P. Grafeld, Dir. (V) Release () Excise () Deny (1) Declassify Date 6/9/98 Exemption

OPTIONAL FORM 153 (Formerly FS-413) January 1975 Dept. of State also just cancelled a trip to Tegucigalpa scheduled for Monday, August 2 because of continuing Nicaraguan/
Costa Rican tensions.

- 4. On question of Honduran/Nicaraguan relations,
 Paz Barnica expressed view that Sandinistas are seeking
 to create atmosphere of war. He reported that Honduran
 Embassy in Managua is besieged by demonstraturs almost
 constantly and siege mentality in Micaragua seemed to
 be worse than ever.
- 5. Ambassador and Foreign Minister agree that best course for Honduras at this time is to maintain peaceful posture and to reiterate Honduras' printed/peace plan.

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