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SUBJECT

: GENERAL LOPEZ AND PAZ BARNICA ON CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE ANTI-SANDINISTAS: NEED FOR

FDN DISCRETION

1. S - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. AS A MATTER OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT, BOTH GEN-ERAL LOPEZ AND, OF ALL PEOPLE, FOREIGN MINISTER PAZ BARNI-CA EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED ANTI-SANDINISTA EFFORTS BY FDN IN THEIR MEETINGS WITH AMBASSADOR JULY 6.

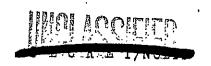
3. HOWEVER, WHAT ALSO CAME THROUGH LOUDER THAN EVER WAS GOH CONCERN OVER THE OPENNESS WITH WHICH FDN OPERATES IN TEGUCIGALPA. FDN HAS OBVIOUSLY OVERDONE THINGS AND, IF DOES NOT WANT TO WEAR OUT ITS WELCOME IN HONDURAS, IT WILL HAVE TO LOWER ITS PROFILE TO THE ABSOLUTE MINIMUM. THIS WILL LIKELY MEAN SACRIFICING PUBLIC AFFAIRS ACTIVITIES FROM HONDURAS IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE ABILITY TO OPERATE FROM HERE FOR MORE ESSENTIAL PURPOSES.

4. WASHINGTON AGENCIES CAN HELP US HERE IN SEVERAL WAYS. FIRST OF ALL, BY COMMENTING LESS FREELY(IN BACK GROUNDERS AND SO FORTH) ON WHETHER OR NOT ANTI-SANDINISTA ACTIVITIES ARE BEING CONDUCTED FROM HERE AND WITH WHAT KIND OF SUPPORT. NEXT, BY DISCOURAGING VISITOR REQUESTS TO VISIT ANTI-SANDINISTA INSTALLATIONS AND HOLD INTER-VIEWS WITH FDN. WE REQUEST THAT DEPARTMENT NO LONGER CLEAR OUT CABLES FOR CODELS WHICH OF LATE ALMOST INVARIABLY HAVE INCLUDED, MEET WITH FDN, OR VISIT CONTRA CAMPS; AS ONE OF THE DESIRED SCHEDULE ITEMS. FINALLY, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES MAY WISH TO GIVE THOUGHT TO ALTERNATE LOCATIONS FROM WHICH FDN AND OTHER EXITE GROUPS MIGHT EFFECTIVELY PURSUE THEIR LEGITIMATE PUBLIC AFFAIRS NEEDS.

5. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO OVEREMPHASIZE CURRENT GOH SENSITIVITY TO ANY KIND OF PUBLICITY BY FDN OR OTHERS WHICH DRAWS UNDUE ATTENTION TO FACT THAT HONDURAN TERRITORY BEING USED TO SUPPORT SOME ANTI-SANDINISTA ACTIVITIES. NEGROPONTE BT

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