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LETTER DATED 18 FEBRUARY 1983 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF HONDURAS TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to send you herewith, on the instructions of Dr. Edgardo Paz Barnica, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras, the text of the note sent by our Ministry to His Excellency Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockman, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua, reading as follows:

"His Excellency Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockman, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Managua, Nicaragua. I have the honour to extend a cordial invitation to you to visit the frontier zone between our two countries, in my company, so that you may see how baseless is the tendentious campaign mounted, at the international level, by the Government of Nicaragua, with a view to casting doubt on the absolute neutrality of Honduras in the internal conflict experienced by your country. You may select specific points where camps of Nicaraguan counter-revolutionaries are alleged to exist, in the certainty that you will thus be convinced that the Constitutional and Democratic Government of Honduras fully respects the principle of non-intervention in the affairs of other States and the right to self-determination of peoples. I trust that you will deign to accept this invitation, extended in the sincere spirit of accommodation characteristic of my Government in its efforts to promote regional peace, and I should be very grateful if you would let me know the date and place of the meeting so that the necessary arrangements may be made. With renewed assurances of my highest consideration. Edgardo Paz Barnica, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras".

I should be very grateful if you would arrange for this note to be issued as a Security Council document.

(Signed) Enrique ORTEZ COLINDRES
Ambassador, Permanent Representative