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Letter dated 27 March 1986 from the Permanent Representative  
of Honduras to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General

I have the honour to write to you in order to transmit the text of a press communiqué issued by the Government of Honduras, through the Office of the President of the Republic, concerning further incursions by the Sandinist People's Army into Honduran territory.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter and the enclosed text to be circulated as a document of the fortieth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 21, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Roberto HERRERA CACERES  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Press communiqué of 25 March 1986 issued by the  
Government of Honduras

The Government of Honduras has information, which has been confirmed, that there have been further incursions by the Sandinist People's Army into Honduran territory, in the eastern border sector in the department of Olancho.

In order to control the situation, the Government of the Republic has dispatched troops to that sector, with orders to protect the population and to repel Nicaraguan troops that enter national territory.

Because the area in question is very difficult to reach by land and the presence of national troops is urgently required, the necessary support for the air transport of the Honduran troops has been obtained from the Government of the United States of America, in conformity with the special security relationship between the two countries.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Honduras has been in touch with the Government of Nicaragua, urging it to order the immediate withdrawal of its troops so as to avoid confrontations that might endanger peace between the two countries and once again jeopardize the regional peace-making efforts sponsored by the Contadora Group. Honduras, for its part, will maintain its resolve to resort to all peaceful means and to the various international bodies in order to settle the crisis in Central America.

The Honduran people can rest assured that the Government and the armed forces will deal with the situation sensibly and calmly, but with the determination which is called for. There should therefore be no unjustified alarm or concern.

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