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Letter dated 31 July 1986 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations addressed
to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a protest note dated 30 July 1986 from Mr. Carlos Rivera-Bianchini, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica, addressed to His Excellency Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua.

I should be grateful if you would have this note and its annex distributed as an official document of the fortieth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 21, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Emilia C. de BARISH
Ambassador
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

ANNEX

Protest note dated 30 July 1986 from the Acting Minister for
Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica addressed to the Minister for
Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua

I wish to take this opportunity to inform you of the following facts:

On 26 July 1986, at 3.30 p.m., Costa Rican territory in the region of Boca de San Carlos suffered a mortar attack coming from Nicaraguan territory under the complete control of the Sandinist People's Army.

In informing you of the facts in question, I wish to emphasize the contradictions inherent in the policy pursued by the Government of Nicaragua vis-à-vis Costa Rica, whereby, at the same time as senior officials of that Government issue statements in favour of the existence of constructive and very amicable relations between the two countries, Costa Rican sovereignty is physically attacked from Nicaraguan territory controlled by the Sandinist People's Army.

The Government of Costa Rica, through me, requests the Government of Nicaragua to take all the necessary steps to ensure that acts such as those described here are avoided in the future and that this charge is investigated in order to punish those responsible for these illegal actions, which are threatening relations between the two countries.
