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LETTER DATED 24 MAY 1982 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
NICARAGUA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of the communiqué from our Ministry of Foreign Affairs concerning reports originating in Costa Rica and attributed to government sources in that country, to the effect that troops of the Sandinista People's Army of the Republic of Nicaragua had infiltrated Costa Rican territory.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this communication to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Javier CHAMORRO MORA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of Nicaragua
to the United Nations

Annex

Communiqué issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in
Managua on 21 May 1982

In view of the reports originating in Costa Rica and attributed to government sources in that country, to the effect that troops of the Sandinista People's Army infiltrated Costa Rican territory in the region of Los Chiles, between Pocosal and Medio Queso, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua categorically affirms that these reports are completely untrue.

The Government of Nicaragua is extremely concerned about the spreading of such false news, which tends to create an artificial climate of conflict between Nicaragua and Costa Rica, precisely at a time when Nicaragua has been the victim of an act of aerial piracy committed by persons who have found refuge in Costa Rica, and a few hours after a military commanding officer of frontier guards was assassinated by persons who have also fled to Costa Rica, to join those who are plotting against our Government and our people from the territory of that brother country.

It is also a matter of concern that in this situation certain news agencies, acting in a completely irresponsible and obviously ill-intentioned manner, are inventing reports of deaths and possibilities of an invasion from Nicaragua against the brother Republic of Costa Rica.

It is clear that interests alien to the Governments of our two brother peoples are determined to provoke conflicts and to create friction and tension between Nicaragua and Costa Rica, with the aim of establishing the necessary conditions to justify foreign military aggression against Nicaragua.
