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LETTER DATED 9 DECEMBER 1982 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE
PERMANENT MISSION OF HONDURAS TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO
THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, on instructions from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras, the contents of the protest note sent by our Ministry for Foreign Affairs to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua, the text of which reads as follows:

"Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Honduras. Office No. 756-DSS. Tegucigalpa, D. C., 24 November 1982. Office No. DSS-754, Tegucigalpa, D. C., 22 November 1982. Sir: I have the honour to inform you that, on 5 November this year, at 1300 hours, an aircraft belonging to the Sandinist Air Force overflew and bombed the area west of the community of Ahuasbila, Department of Gracias a Dios, dropping six bombs and causing alarm in the area; fragments of the bombs, which exploded, were recovered. It should be pointed out that the community in question is situated approximately 200 metres from the frontier line between our two countries, which is fully defined by virtue of the decision handed down by His Majesty Alfonso XIII, which was subsequently upheld by a judgement of the International Court of Justice, for which reason my Government cannot conceal its indignation at this flagrant violation of the territorial integrity of my country. Unjustified acts like that described above are inconsistent with the official statements made both by members of the Honourable Junta for National Reconstruction and by His Excellency the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua, with a view to creating an atmosphere of tranquillity and frank co-operation between our peoples and Governments. In delivering the most vigorous protest at this unjustified violation and aggression against our territory, I reiterate to Your Excellency my Government's demand that such acts as that described above shall not be repeated and, at the same time, I reiterate our readiness, in the context of the Honduran proposal for peace in Central America, to reach the necessary agreements in order to avoid any kind of hostile incident such as this one, which by its gravity is in no way conducive to a climate of détente in the area of Central America. I take this opportunity to reiterate to

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Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.
Rodolfo Rosales Abella, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs. His Excellency
Mr. Miguel D'Escoto B., Minister for Foreign Affairs, Managua, Nicaragua."

I should be grateful if you would kindly have this note circulated as a
document of the Security Council.

[Signed] Francisco Dario LOBO
Deputy Ambassador and
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
