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LETTER DATED 25 APRIL 1983 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF NICARAGUA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a note of protest dated 23 April 1983, addressed to His Excellency Dr. Edgardo Paz Barnica, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras, by His Excellency Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua.

"Sir,

I am writing to inform you that on 21 April 1983, counter-revolutionary elements attacked the place known as 'Poza Redonda', situated 14 kilometres north-west of Jalapa in the Department of Nueva Segovia, from Honduran territory. The attack began at 1 p.m. and continued until 5.15 p.m. Forty-seven 81-mm mortar shells were fired, injuring two members of our frontier-guard force.

Yesterday, on 22 April, at 9 a.m., 'Poza Redonda' was shelled three more times by mortar; the attack was repeated at 2 p.m. on the same day, when six more 81-mm mortar shells were fired.

Furthermore, the village of Waspán in the northern part of the Department of Yelapa, was also shelled by mortars from Honduran territory on 22 April.

In most strongly and formally protesting to the Government of Honduras over these new acts of aggression, my Government once again reiterates its commitment to pursue its efforts to maintain peace and tranquility in the border region, an objective which is increasingly difficult to attain in view of your Government's position of abetting and encouraging those who are promoting an open conflict between our countries.

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Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann  
Minister for Foreign Affairs"

I should be grateful if you would have this note distributed as a Security Council document.

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

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