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ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

In accordance with Article 54 of the United Nations Charter, I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of the Security Council, the following cable, No. 980 of 24 January, from the Ad Hoc Committee addressed to the President of the Tenth Meeting of Consultation:

"Santo Domingo,
Dominican Republic
24 January 1966

No. 980

Mr. Guillermo Sevilla Sacasa
President, Tenth Meeting of Ministers of
Foreign Affairs
Washington, D.C.

"The Ad Hoc Committee has the honour to inform the Tenth Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs that, in accordance with the instructions of the Provisional President, Mr. Héctor García Godoy, the following leaders of the Constitutionalist movement departed from the Dominican Republic on Saturday, 22 January:

- Colonel Francisco Caamaño Deñó, appointed military attaché in London
- Frigate Captain Manuel Montes Arache, appointed military attaché in Ottawa
- Colonel Héctor Enrique Luchapelle Díaz, appointed military attaché in Paris
- Captain Mário Pena Taveras, appointed military attaché in Santiago, Chile
- Lieutenant-Colonel Miguel Angel Hernández, appointed to Europe without portfolio

Lieutenant-Colonel Hernández left on Friday, 21 January, by a regular Pan American flight. The four other Constitutionalist officers, as we already reported, left on Saturday, 22 January, by helicopter from the heliport adjacent to the Hotel Embajador for the Punta Caucedo Airport, where they boarded an aircraft of the Dominican Aviation Company on a special flight to San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Prior to the departure of the above-mentioned Constitutionalist leaders, the following letter of guarantee, drafted by the Ad Hoc Committee for protection of the 27 de Febrero Camp, was approved and accepted by the Provisional President, Mr. Héctor García Godoy, and the leader of the Constitutionalist, Colonel Francisco Casmaño:

"21 January 1966

"Sir,

"I have the honour to inform you that the Ad Hoc Committee of the Tenth Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it and in order to co-operate in implementing articles 13 and 14 of the Institutional Act on human rights, hereby guarantees the security of the personnel and premises of the 27 de Febrero Camp. In order to ensure their security, it is adopting the following measures:

"(a) Maintenance of regular mobile patrols in the areas immediately outside the camp. These areas are marked on the attached sketch;

"(b) The Inter-American Peace Force (IAPF) assumes responsibility for protecting as effectively as possible the life and limb of the personnel of the 27 de Febrero Camp in the event of an attack on the said camp. It will also protect the life and limb of the said personnel outside the camp along the entire length of the road leading thereto, which is marked on the attached sketch. The IAPF will act with all due dispatch on its own initiative and also on request;

"(c) The roads leading to Duarte bridge will be protected by the IAPF and the passage of camp personnel over the bridge will be protected and guarded by the IAPF;

"(d) The IAPF will carry out these security measures in the way it deems appropriate, but in accordance with the following arrangements:

"1. The aforesaid troops will not enter the camp without the President's prior authorization;

"2. Free transit in the area leading to the camp will be subject to no let or hindrance and, as a special measure, all personnel checkpoints will be eliminated. If the President of the Republic so requests the Ad Hoc Committee, the IAPF will co-operate in ensuring compliance with his orders concerning the elimination of checkpoints;

"3. Movements of military personnel of the 27 de Febrero Camp from and to the said camp will not be subject to interference from the IAPF;

"4. No annoyance or coercion by word or deed directed against the camp or its inmates will be allowed.

"(e) The IAFF will appoint a liaison officer to establish contact with the Commander of the 27 de Febrero Camp in connexion with the above-mentioned arrangements;

"(f) The Ad Hoc Committee agrees that the President of the Republic will be empowered at all times to issue instructions different from those enumerated in this document and will maintain close contact with the President in order to ensure compliance with the objectives specified herein.

"The present arrangements have been communicated by the Ad Hoc Committee to Monsignor Emanuele Clarizio, the Papal Nuncio, to the Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and to the representative of the Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States.

"Accept, Sir, etc.

"For the Ad Hoc Committee

"Ellsworth Bunker
Ambassador, Representative of
the United States of America

"Héctor García Godoy
Provisional President of
the Dominican Republic'

"Copies of the above letter of guarantee have been sent to the Papal Nuncio, Ambassador José Mayobre, Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and to Ambassador Bianchi, President of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

"Ad Hoc Committee

"Ellsworth Bunker
Special Representative of
the United States

"José Barreiros
Alternate Representative of
Brazil"

Accept, Sir, etc.

José A. MORA
Organization of American States

