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ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE
SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a communiqué issued yesterday by the Governing Junta of National Reconstruction of the Republic of Nicaragua.

I should be grateful if you would have this communiqué circulated as a Security Council document.

(Signed) Victor Hugo TINOCO FONSECA
Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs
Representative of Nicaragua on
the Security Council

Annex

MANAGUA, 25 October 1983

COMMUNIQUE

The Governing Junta of National Reconstruction, at the conclusion of an emergency meeting with the National Command of the Sandinist National Liberation Front held today, addresses the heroic people of Nicaragua and the Governments and peoples of the world, to denounce the increasingly serious threats menacing our country, since the Government of the United States is accelerating its plans of aggression on a larger scale, involving Nicaragua and El Salvador.

The arbitrary and unjustifiable military occupation of Grenada perpetrated today by interventionist troops of the United States serves only to clearly confirm the bellicose intentions of the United States Administration. We must be more alert than ever before and prepare, with the utmost determination and all our strength, to confront any kind of aggression against our sovereignty and our revolution.

Parallel with the invasion of Grenada, the United States Government has convened, at Tegucigalpa, a meeting of the military chiefs of Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras, in the context of the ill-famed CONDECA, in order to concert concrete plans of aggression against Nicaragua, at a time when Yankee troops are already concentrated in Honduras, United States war fleets remain in our waters and terrorist attacks are being intensified in our territory.

The revolutionary Government is aware of CIA plans to provoke military attacks and assaults against economic objectives in the territory of both Honduras and Costa Rica in order to lay the blame for these acts on our country and thus have a pretext for unleashing greater aggression against Nicaragua, plans which are due to be carried out shortly. The Governing Junta alerts the conscience of the world in advance to these criminal plans, which are designed to escalate the conflict to which the United States Government obstinately refuses to find peaceful solutions.

The United States Government has so far ignored all peace initiatives undertaken by Nicaragua within the Contadora Group and has disregarded the draft peace and security treaties submitted by our country to its own Department of State. The arrogant, reckless and high-handed approach taken by the United States Administration could lead to a full-scale war in Central America. We wish to warn the responsible Governments of the world of the danger of war, which even now can still be avoided, and make an appeal for recourse to all means available to the international community to stop the escalation of the aggression against Nicaragua and El Salvador and to ensure the immediate departure of the forces invading Grenada.

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Today more than ever before, we must be prepared to demonstrate our willingness to fulfil, in a patriotic and disciplined manner, all the tasks necessitated by the current emergency situation in order to strengthen the defence of our country.

At this time, all the people must be united and stand firm together with their vanguard and their revolutionary Government.

Done at the City of Managua, on 25 October 1983, year of the struggle for peace and sovereignty.
