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LETTER DATED 15 NOVEMBER 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 to you herewith the text of a note of protest dated 15 November 1983 addressed to His Excellency Dr. Edgardo Paz Barnica, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras, by Her Excellency, Dr. Nora Astorga, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua.

"I wish to inform you of the following:

"Yesterday, 14 November, between 1 and 2 p.m., Honduran army troops using mortar fire attacked the Nicaraguan frontier post of Murrupuchi, located 17 kilometres north of Jalapa in the Department of Nueva Segovia, fortunately without causing any damage.

"Despite the danger created by the attack to which they were subjected, the Nicaraguan armed forces, acting in accordance with the instructions of our Government, did not respond to these latest acts of aggression in order to avoid giving the enemies of peace a pretext for engaging in open war against Nicaragua.

"In presenting to the Government of Honduras its most formal and vigorous protest with regard to the facts referred to, the Government of Nicaragua reiterates once again its willingness to make all necessary efforts to ensure that peace and harmony prevail between our countries and in the Central American region.

"Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration."

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

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