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OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF HONDURAS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO TRANSMIT TO YOUR EXCELLENCY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE "TEGUICICALPA DC 23 JUNE 1954 MR. GUILLERMO TORIELLO MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS GUATEMALA CITY I HAVE THE HONOUR TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT YOUR CABLE OF YESTERDAY INFORMING ME YOU HAVE REPORTED TO PRESIDENT SECURITY COUNCIL, FURTHER VIOLATION TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY YOUR COUNTRY. ASSURANCE THAT MY GOVERNMENT HAS NOT PARTICIPATED IN THOSE VIOLATIONS AND HAS ORDERED INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SCHOONER 'SIESTA DE TRUJILLO' OF FLYING HONDURAN FLAG CAPTURED AT PUERTO BARRIOS BY YOUR GOVERNMENT. MUST INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT AN AIRCRAFT PROCEEDING FROM GUATEMALAN TERRITORY BOMBED SAN PEDRO COPAN AIRFIELD, YESTERDAY AT 1.25 P.M., ALSO FLEW OVER THE COPAN RUINS AND TOWN OF BELEN, DEPARTMENT OCTOTEPEQUE, RETURNING TO POINT OF DEPARTURE. IN VIEW OF THIS UNUSUAL INCIDENT, WHICH HAS AROUSED HONDURAN NATIONAL FEELING AND HAS OCCURRED WHILE SECURITY COUNCIL IS CONSIDERING REQUEST MADE BY GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT, ON EXPRESS INSTRUCTIONS MY GOVERNMENT I PRESENT FORMAL PROTEST TO YOUR FRIENDLY GOVERNMENT AND REQUEST ASSURANCES THAT THE INCIDENT WILL NOT BE REPEATED AND THAT WE SHALL MAINTAIN THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS WHICH SHOULD UNITE OUR TWO PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENTS." I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE ETC. SIGNED J. E. VALENZUELA

