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LETTER DATED 29 FEBRUARY 1984 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.  
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF NICARAGUA TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to communicate with you in order to convey the contents of the note dated 28 February 1984 which was sent to His Excellency Mr. George Schultz, Secretary of State of the United States of America, by His Excellency Mr. Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua.

"I am writing to you in order to inform you of the following serious incidents:

"On 24 February 1984, at 2245 hours, one of the Piraña-type launches supplied by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) of your country to the counter-revolutionary forces operating from Honduras and Costa Rica came from Costa Rica, went as far as the Barra del Bluff sector in Zelaya department and, using rifles and heavy machine guns, attacked fuel storage facilities for 20 minutes with the intention of destroying them but without achieving its objective. In withdrawing towards Costa Rica, the launch attacked the motorized fishing vessels Aldo Chavarría and Pescasa 15 out at sea, at the level of the DICSA company facilities, causing minor physical damage. Then, in passing near the Barra de Hong Sang, it came into armed confrontation with a motor vessel of the Sandinist Navy, there being no serious outcome.

"The aggressor craft also left several mines scattered over the Barra del Bluff, and at 1243 hours on 25 February the motorized vessel Pescasa 15 sank following contact with and the explosion of mines placed near the Pescasa quay. As a result of the explosion Jaime Davis and Pedro Laponte were injured.

"On the same day at 1000 hours the motorized vessel Pescasa 23 was making for the quay when it came into contact with two mines, which exploded damaging the vessel; seven persons were wounded and two disappeared.

"Because of the gravity of the incidents mentioned above, the Government of Nicaragua is presenting a formal protest in the strongest terms to your

Government concerning those acts, which signify a dangerous and reckless escalation in the uninterrupted aggression which your Government has been financing, organizing and directing against our country for the past two years. Those acts are in complete contradiction with the verbal declarations made by your Government in support of the Contadora process and the peace negotiations set in motion by that process. At all events, those acts amount to the imposition of a military blockade in addition to the attempts as an economic and political blockade of Nicaragua in which your Government is engaging, in open violation of international legal norms."

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the present note to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Julio ICAZA GALLARD  
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to the United Nations

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