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LETTER DATED 26 MARCH 1984 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
NICARAGUA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF  
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I am transmitting to you the text of a note dated 26 March 1984 sent to Edgardo Paz Barnica, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras, by Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua.

"I am writing to inform you of the following:

"Yesterday, 25 March 1984, at 3.30 a.m., a group of Honduran military personnel, of undetermined number, carried out an attack from Honduran territory upon the units of the Sandinist People's Army situated 5 kilometres south-west of Somotillo, firing 40 rounds from 81-mm mortars. Fortunately, no casualties resulted from this criminal attack, which lasted between 20 and 30 minutes.

"The Government of Nicaragua, expressing its most formal and vigorous protest against this latest act of aggression and provocation, wishes to point out to you, Sir, the extreme gravity of the use of Honduran territory as a permanent military base of the United States and a refuge for the mercenary bands in the service of that Government. It must be stated that the policy of State terrorism developed by the United States administration has resulted in such an involvement of the Government of Honduras that the risks of a regional conflagration seem ever nearer, in accordance with United States plans, fully supported by the Government of Honduras, in absolute contradiction to its own sovereignty and national interests and to its widely publicized messages of verbal support for the efforts being made by the Contadora Group."

I should be grateful if you would circulate this note as a Security Council document.

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

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