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LETTER DATED 29 NOVEMBER 1989 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 a draft resolution which my delegation wishes to submit to the Security Council for consideration at the meeting requested on 27 November 1989 by the Permanent Representative of El Salvador (S/20991) and in the context of the grave repercussions which the serious deterioration of the situation in El Salvador is having on the Central American peace process, in accordance with the request which I made to you in my note of 28 November 1989 (S/20999).

I should be grateful if you could circulate this communication as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Alejandro SERRANO CALDERA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 530 (1983) of 19 May 1983, 562 (1985) of 10 May 1985, 637 (1989) of 27 July 1989 and 644 (1989) of 7 November 1989 and General Assembly resolutions 38/10 of 11 November 1983, 39/4 of 26 October 1984, 41/37 of 18 November 1986, 42/1 of 7 October 1987 and 43/24 of 15 November 1988,

Observing with concern the deterioration of the situation in El Salvador as characterized by the intensification and expansion of the armed conflict,

Deeply disturbed by the tremendous suffering which this situation is causing, particularly the loss of civilian lives as a result, inter alia, of indiscriminate bombing,

Alarmed at the assassination of the Rector of the Central American University and five other Jesuit priests by a group of uniformed individuals,

Bearing in mind the agreements signed at Guatemala City on 7 August 1987 by the Presidents of the Republics of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua and also the Joint Declarations and the agreements subsequently adopted on 16 January 1988 in Costa Rica, 14 February 1989 in El Salvador and 7 August 1989 in Honduras,

Convinced that fulfilment of the commitments entered into under those agreements and declarations provide a framework for the promotion of a democratic, pluralistic and participatory process involving the promotion of social justice, respect for human rights, sovereignty and the full exercise by the Salvadorian people of their right to choose, freely and without outside interference of any kind, their economic, political and social system,

Aware of the need to return to the agreements of 15 September and 18 October 1989 signed in Mexico and Costa Rica by the Government of El Salvador and the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional, whereby they undertook, inter alia, to maintain a process of dialogue in an effort to arrive at a negotiated understanding which would put an end to the armed conflict by political means as soon as possible, to promote the democratization of the country and to reunify Salvadorian society, and also agreed on the need for international verification mechanisms appropriate to the characteristics and realities of El Salvador in order to monitor implementation of the agreements reached,

1. Vigorously condemns the assassination of six priests and other indiscriminate acts of violence, especially the bombings that have caused great suffering among the civilian population;

2. Appeals for an immediate cease-fire agreement and for the resumption of substantive, effective negotiations as the only way to resolve the crisis in El Salvador and as an essential step towards strengthening the Central American peace process as a whole;

3. Reiterates its firmest support for the Central American peace process and appeals to all States to contribute to the implementation of the agreements reached by the five Central American Presidents, especially those signed recently at Tela, Honduras;

4. Urges all States with ties to and interests in the region to refrain from intervening in the Salvadorian conflict and encourages them to co-operate in efforts to achieve a firm and lasting peace within the framework of the Guatemala agreements and in accordance with the commitments entered into by the Central American Presidents at Tela, Honduras;

5. Welcomes with great satisfaction the forthcoming deployment to Central America of the United Nations Observer Group in Central America;

6. Requests the Secretary-General, through existing peace mechanisms and in conformity with regional peace agreements, to make every effort to bring about and supervise a cease-fire in El Salvador.

