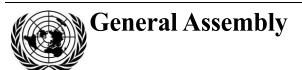
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Letter from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Nicaragua to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, dated 16 November 2015

I send herewith, for your information, the official communiqué issued by the Government of Reconciliation and National Unity of the Republic of Nicaragua, dated 16 November 2015, concerning the serious incidents that occurred on our southern border with Costa Rica (see annex).

I would be grateful if you would circulate this letter and its annex as a document of the seventieth session of the General Assembly, relating to agenda item 43.

(Signed) Jaime **Hermida Castillo** Chargé d'affaires a.i.





Annex to the letter from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Nicaragua to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, dated 16 November 2015

The Government of Nicaragua once again deplores and condemns the irresponsible attitude of the Government of Costa Rica, which flouts all international conventions and agreements on human mobility.

The Government of Nicaragua once again condemns the violation of its national territory, its sovereignty and border posts, and the egregious presumption of the Government of Costa Rica to assume the right to authorize persons intending to travel through the Central American region, illegally and behaving violently, to enter Nicaraguan territory.

The Government of Nicaragua, which is guided by Christian, socialist, and solidarity principles, reiterates to the international community and to its own people, that it has the right and duty to demand respect for its sovereignty, territorial integrity and laws. It would also point out that in Central America we have the Central American Integration System, in which security issues — sovereign security, border security and migration — are continuously discussed and agreed upon; and all of the region's governments participate in this system.

The grave crisis created by the Government of Costa Rica should be lodged as a complaint at the Central American Integration System and treated as a serious issue warranting in-depth discussion between the respective authorities, without ignoring the origins and causes of this growing problem.

Accordingly, on Tuesday, 17 November, our Government will comprehensively address this issue at the meeting of the Security Committee of the Central American Integration System.

Nicaragua claims and reiterates the need to forge links between governments and peoples that ensure respectful and peaceful coexistence, dialogue mechanisms, and working groups, in which governments have the duty and responsibility to address and effectively resolve all of the challenges and threats that disturb the tranquillity of our peoples' lives.

Managua, 16 November 2015 Government of Reconciliation and National Unity

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