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SURINAME TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to forward herewith the text of a memorandum from the Government of the Republic of Suriname concerning the extremely serious situation which the Central American region is facing at the present time.

I would be grateful if the enclosed memorandum could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Henri A. M. GUDA
Permanent Representative of the
Government of the Republic of
Suriname to the United Nations

Annex

Memorandum from the Government of the Republic of Suriname

The Government of the Republic of Suriname is gravely concerned at the extremely serious situation which the Central American region is facing at the present time.

The Government of Suriname has been following the deterioration of the situation in the region and has consistently denounced not only acts of interference and intervention in the internal affairs of other States as violations of international law but also consistently rejected political and economic coercion, in particular against small nations.

In this regard the Government of Suriname has always staunchly supported the efforts of the Contadora Group to achieve co-operation, peace and stability throughout the Central American region.

For these reasons the Government of the Republic of Suriname deplores the trade embargo imposed by the Government of the United States against Nicaragua.

The Government of Suriname seriously questions the justification used by the United States, namely that Nicaragua has created an emergency in the United States, to impose an embargo that will not only affect Nicaragua but also the economies of its neighbours.

In the view of the Government of Suriname this unilateral act of the United States of America has gravely undermined the Contadora process for seeking peace in the Central American region.

The Government of Suriname is, therefore, of the opinion that the international community should appeal to the Government of the United States to nullify these measures and resume the dialogue initiated at Manzanillo (Mexico) with the Government of Nicaragua at the earliest possible date in order to settle their differences through peaceful means.

The Government of the Republic of Suriname associates itself with the communiqué issued on 7 May 1985 by the Co-ordinating Bureau of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, a/ in which, inter alia, it reiterated its firm solidarity with Nicaragua and called for an immediate end to all threats, attacks, hostile acts and coercive measures against the people and Government of that country.

Notes

a/ A/39/896-S/17163, annex.