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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS OF WHICH
THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND ON THE STAGE REACHED IN
THEIR CONSIDERATION

Addendum

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General is submitting the following summary statement.

The list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in documents S/16880 of 7 January 1985 and S/16880/Add.4 of 13 February 1985.

During the week ending 11 May 1985, the Security Council took action on the following item:

Letter dated 6 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Nicaragua to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In a letter dated 6 May 1985 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/17156), the representative of Nicaragua requested that an urgent meeting of the Security Council be convened to consider the extremely serious situation which the Central American region was facing at the present time.

The Security Council considered the item at its 2577th to 2580th meetings, held between 8 and 10 May 1985.

In the course of the meetings, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Ethiopia, the German Democratic Republic, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mexico, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Poland, Spain, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia and Zimbabwe, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

At the 2579th meeting, the President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution presented by Nicaragua, contained in document S/17172.

At the 2580th meeting, the representative of India requested, under rule 38 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, that the draft resolution submitted by Nicaragua (S/17172) be put to the vote.

The Security Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/17172) paragraph by paragraph at the request of the United States.

The results of the voting were as follows:

- The first preambular paragraph was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- The second preambular paragraph was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- The third preambular paragraph was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- The fourth preambular paragraph was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- The fifth preambular paragraph was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- The sixth preambular paragraph was adopted by 14 votes in favour to none against, with 1 abstention (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).
- The seventh preambular paragraph was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- The eighth preambular paragraph received 13 votes in favour to 1 against (United States of America), with 1 abstention (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), and was not adopted, owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.
- Operative paragraph 1 received 11 votes in favour to 1 against (United States of America), with 3 abstentions (Egypt, Thailand and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), and was not adopted, owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.
- Operative paragraph 2 received 13 votes in favour to 1 against (United States of America), with 1 abstention (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), and was not adopted, owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.
- Operative paragraph 3 was adopted by 14 votes in favour to none against, with 1 abstention (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).
- Operative paragraph 4 was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.

- Operative paragraph 5 was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- Operative paragraph 6 was adopted by 13 votes in favour to none against, with 2 abstentions (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America).
- Operative paragraph 7 was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.
- Operative paragraph 8 was adopted by 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions.

The draft resolution as a whole, as amended (i.e. excluding the eighth preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of document S/17172), received 15 votes in favour to none against, with no abstentions, and was adopted as resolution 562 (1985).

Resolution 562 (1985) reads as follows:

The Security Council,

Having heard the statement of the Permanent Representative of Nicaragua to the United Nations,

Having heard also the statements of several representatives of Member countries of the United Nations during the course of the debate,

Recalling resolution 530 (1983) which reaffirms the right of Nicaragua and of all the other countries of the area to live in peace and security, free from outside interference,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 38/10 which reaffirms the inalienable right of all the peoples to decide on their own form of government and to choose their own economic, political and social system free from all foreign intervention, coercion, or limitation,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 39/4 which encourages the efforts of the Contadora Group and appeals urgently to all interested States in and outside the region to co-operate fully with the Group through a frank and constructive dialogue, so as to achieve solutions to the differences between them,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2625 (XXV) which reaffirms the principle that no State may apply or promote the use of measures of economic, political or any other nature in order to coerce another State into subordinating the exercise of its sovereign rights and gain from it advantage of any kind,

Reaffirming the principle that all members shall fulfil in good faith the obligations assumed by them in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

1. Reaffirms the sovereignty and inalienable right of Nicaragua and the rest of the States to freely decide on their own political, economic and social systems, to develop their international relations according to their people's interests free from outside interference, subversion, direct or indirect coercion or threats of any kind;

2. Reaffirms once again its firm support to the Contadora Group, and urges it to intensify its efforts; it also expresses its conviction that only with genuine political support from all interested States will said peace efforts prosper;

3. Calls on all States to refrain from carrying out, supporting or promoting political, economic or military actions of any kind against any State in the region which might impede the peace objectives of the Contadora Group;

4. Calls on the Governments of the United States of America and Nicaragua to resume the dialogue they had been holding in Manzanillo (Mexico) toward reaching accords favourable for normalizing their relations and regional détente;

5. Requests that the Secretary-General keep the Security Council apprised of the development of the situation and the implementation of the present resolution;

6. Decides to remain seized of this matter.

