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Letter dated 12 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative
of Honduras to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the text of the note dated 4 June 1985 from Mr. Tomás Arita Valle, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras, addressed to Mr. Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua (see annex).

This note rejects as groundless the Nicaraguan protest regarding three helicopters which entered Nicaraguan territory, allegedly from Honduran territory.

I should be grateful if you would have this text, the contents of which have already been notified to the Organization of American States, circulated as a document of the thirty-ninth session of the General Assembly under item 25.

(Signed) H. Roberto HERRERA CACERES
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Note dated 4 June 1985 from the Acting Minister for Foreign
Affairs of Honduras addressed to the Minister for Foreign
Affairs of Nicaragua

I am writing to you to acknowledge receipt of your message of yesterday by which your Government lodged a formal and strong protest because three military-type helicopters, the registration of which could not be determined entered Nicaraguan airspace, allegedly from Honduran territory.

Since there are no aircraft in Honduras that do not have or do not operate with the corresponding identification marks, in the case of military aircraft, or registration letters or numbers, in the case of civilian aircraft, my Government rejects the above-mentioned protest as groundless.

It is somewhat curious that you should also choose to refer to the serious situation created by the Nicaraguan army in the border area with Costa Rica since, contrary to your whimsical interpretation, this fact indicates that the Nicaraguan Government is alone responsible for trying to instigate violence in neighbouring countries.

Instead of giving advice on how the democratic Governments of the region should behave, I think that it is your Government which must begin by reducing its excessive level of military preparedness and initiating as soon as possible a dialogue of national reconciliation between conflicting forces. These are positive steps that would lead to a genuine relaxation of the tensions in Central America.
