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Letter dated 26 July 1985 from the Acting Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to forward herewith the text of a communiqué adopted by the Co-ordinating Bureau of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries on 26 July 1985 regarding the situation in Central America and to request that this be circulated as an official document of the thirty-ninth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 25, and of the Security Council.

> (Signed) Vinay VERMA Acting Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations

ANNEX

Text of the communiqué adopted on 26 July 1985 by the Co-ordinating Bureau of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries regarding the situation in Central America

1. The Co-ordinating Bureau of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries met in urgent session in New York on 26 July 1985 to consider the latest developments relating to the situation in Central America. It heard a statement by the Acting Permanent Representative of Nicaragua to the United Nations in this regard, with specific reference to the situation arising out of the most recent threats and accusations levelled by the Government of the United States against Nicaragua in its communication of 17 July 1985. It took note of Nicaragua's strong and total condemnation of all forms of terrorism, of its categorical rejection of the allegations made against it and of its willingness to have these allegations submitted to the International Court of Justice for adjudication.

2. The Bureau recalled the mandate given to it by the Seventh Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries to monitor closely the events in the Central American sub-region as well as the appeal made at that Conference for the cessation of all hostile acts against Nicaragua.

3. In this context, the Bureau expressed its grave concern at the deterioration of the situation in the sub-region, stemming from the grave new threats against Nicaragua, including the provision of financial assistance to counterrevolutionary forces, which are to be seen in the context of the continuing acts of coercion, in addition to military action, directed against Nicaragua and of a larger plan to destabilize and topple the Government of that country. The Bureau deplored these developments and was of the view that the fresh threats against Nicaragua increase the danger of direct intervention and military actions against that country and further imperil regional and international peace and security. The Bureau urged that no State should resort to the threat or use of force and that all States should make use of the means available in the United Nations Charter for the peaceful resolution of conflicts. It further called upon all States to refrain from any actions that might exacerbate the already tense situation prevailing in the Central American sub-region.

4. The Bureau once again underscored the need for political, peaceful and negotiated solutions to the problems of the region and reaffirmed its support for the efforts of the Contadora Group towards that end. In this context, the Bureau referred to the communiqué issued by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Contadora Group at the conclusion of the meeting held on 21 and 22 July 1985 in which they recognized the urgent need for the Central American Governments to arrive at the specific agreements to which they committed themselves in the Document of Objectives of September 1983 and reaffirmed that actions contrary to the commitments of that Document not only make impossible a negotiated solution of the Central American crisis but, in addition, damage the indispensable framework of peaceful coexistence between the States of the area.

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5. The Bureau also welcomed the invitation by the Contadora Group to the Governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica to initiate in Panama, in the near future, a dialogue designed to find effective and lasting solutions for the tensions in the frontier region between the two countries, within the framework of the Contadora Group's negotiating process.

6. The Bureau welcomed and fully supported the call made by the Contadora Group in its last communiqué of 22 July upon the Governments of the United States and Nicaraqua to resume the process of bilateral discussions with a view to reaching concrete accords based on mutual respect and the right of self-determination. It expressed its conviction that this process constitutes an important factor in the efforts of the Contadora Group for peace in the region.

7. The Bureau reaffirmed the right of Nicaragua and all the countries of the region to live in peace and to decide their own future, free from all outside interference or intervention, whatever pretext may be adduced or whatever the circumstances in which they may be committed.

8. The Bureau reiterated its firm solidarity with Nicaragua and called for an immediate end to all threats, attacks, hostile acts and coercive measures against its Government and people.

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