Finding: Pursuant to Section 401 of
The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961
As Amended. Concerning Operations
Undertaken by the Central Intelligence
Agency in Foreign Countries, Other than
Those Intended Solely for the Purpose
of Intelligence Collection

I hereby find that the following activities are important
to the national security of the United States, and direct the
Director of Central Intelligence, or his designee, to report this
Finding to the Intelligence Committees of the Congress pursuant
to Section 504 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended,
and to provide such briefings as necessary.

SCOPE

NICARAGUA

PURPOSE

in cooperation with other
governments, provide support,
equipment and training
assistance to Nicaraguan
paramilitary resistance
groups as a means
to induce the Sandinistas
and Cubans and their allies
to cease their support for
insurgencies in the region;
to hamper Cuban/Nicaraguan
arms trafficking; to divert
Nicaragua's resources and
energies from support to
Central American guerrilla
movements; and to bring
the Sandinistas into mean-
ingful negotiations and con-
structive, verifiable
agreement with their
neighbors on peace in the
region.

in cooperation with other
governments, provide support
to opposition leaders and
organizations

Provide training, support and
guidance to Nicaraguan
resistance forces
Seek support of and work with other foreign governments and organizations as appropriate to carry out this program and encourage regional cooperation and coordination in pursuit of program objectives. CIA may support [ ] in order to hamper arms trafficking through Nicaragua, support indigenous resistance efforts and pressure the Sandinistas.

U.S. support to paramilitary activities in Nicaragua will be terminated at such time as it is verified that: (a) the Soviets, Cubans, and Sandinistas have ceased providing through Nicaragua arms, training, command and control facilities and other logistical support to military or paramilitary operations in or against any other country in Central America, and (b) the Government of Nicaragua is demonstrating a commitment to provide amnesty and nondiscriminatory participation in the Nicaraguan political process by all Nicaraguans.
The Director of Central Intelligence is directed to ensure that this program is continuously reviewed to assure that its objectives are being met and its restrictions adhered to.

The White House
Washington, D.C.

Date: September 19, 1983

Ronald Reagan