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POSSIBLE VISIT TO U.S. BY DOCTOR SUAZO

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- Embassy notes with interest press reports from San Jose to effect that Secretary Block carried invitation from President Reagan to President Monge to visit United States.
- Embassy continues to believe that arguments in favor of xx similar invitation to Doctor Suazo remain compelling, not only in terms of bilateral relations but also in furtherance of regional policies and objectives. We believe it especially important that Honduras receive due recognition for its return to constitutional rule and for its cooperation with our approach to Central America region.
- As has been suggested by Embassy previously, timing of visit is perhaps not as urgent as fact of an invitation. Indeed a written invitation extended now to visit sometime

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in the second half of 1982 would permit both sides to plan most effective use of a Suazo visit. Believe that imposition on President Reagan's and Vice President Bush's time could be kept to a minimum and that a number of other pri political figures would be willing to assist in making a one or two-day visit by Suazo to Washington mutually beneficial and interesting (e.g., Senator Helms who led delegation to Dr. Suazo's inauguration).

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