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FROM Ambassy TEGUCIGALPA	CLASSIFICATION SECRET
E.O. 11652 TAGS: SUBJECT:	12065: GDS 1/11/82 (NEGROPONTE, John D.) OR-M CN: 204 PEPR, NU, FR, SOPN, MASS French Arms Sales to Nicaragua
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	<p>1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT</p> <p>2. Term "disappointment" being used by Secretary and Department in regard to subject arms sales, is NI being construed locally as "not rpt not disapproving".</p> <p>2. EMBASSY recommends use of stronger term if at all possible. At a time when we are seeking to build on regional consensus of Sta. Lucia meeting, French action strikes a truly unseemly and potentially damaging note of discord to our approach here.</p>
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