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1. **Entire Text**

2. **SUCIARY:** GOM believes section of UNSC resolution is unfortunate development and gets SYG's foot in the door.

N wording of resolution favors Nicaraguan interpretation of H

GOM is concerned with effective manner G

approval to Contact Group. Also, resolution contains no reference to OAS. GOM considering ways of getting diplomatic initiative back into OAS, possibly in form of introducing its own peace plan as an OAS resolution. H

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3. Ambassador met with Honduran Presidency Minister Carlos Flores morning May twenty to discuss various commercial and public affairs matters. Towards end of meeting Flores raised his disappointment with outcome of recent UNSC debate. The preamble reflected Nicaragua's "bilateral thesis"; the operative paragraph singled out only Nicaragua by name as Central American country with right to live in peace; the Contadora group received an official UN imprimatur; and the OAS was not mentioned at all. Flores, reflecting view similar to that expressed by Venezuelan Foreign Minister Zambrano in para eight CARACAS 4319, said that mere fact of adoption of any resolution at all was major success for Nicaraguans.

4. Next Flores expressed surprise that we had not vetoed the resolution. He recalled that Acting Foreign Minister had raised question with me morning May seventeen (TEGUCIGALPA 4964). And Doctor Suazo raised the matter with me again same afternoon (TEGUCIGALPA 510). Suazo also raised it again at an unreported meeting: Ambassador Gavrin and I had with him on May eighteen. Flores said GCH had hoped it could count on us for YES although his permrep in New York had not been able to elicit commitment to that effect from our UN delegation.

I responded that I shared his disappointment and regretted never having been able to reply to Doctor Suazo's request.
concerning the veto. Nonetheless we had to proceed from
then here.

5. Flores said in his view the main thing is to continue
to stress the regional approach in future diplomatic
situations, even though it may require a bit more effort.
Specifically, Flores said he had already given instruc-
tions to the Foreign Ministry to draft an OAS resolution
incorporating the Honduran peace plan. He said he
visualized repackaging the plan for cosmetic reasons but
the substance would remain the same. There would be
greater emphasis on verification and inspection but
not much else; in fact, as envisaged in Honduras
peace plan (e.g., numbers of advisors, nature of armament,
regional arms trade, inspection of aircraft, airports, etc.).
I told Flores we would be interested in seeing his draft
when it was completed. I also stressed importance of
adequate coordination and preparation for upcoming Contadora
summit to the extent that it was conceivable that Contadora
summit would raise possibility of intervention in Honduran
border. We agreed that I would be in touch with Foreign
Minister Paz Barnica upon his return to work on Monday
from his Asia trip and medical checkup in Houston.

6. As conversation drew to a close Flores said he would
like to visit Washington and New York in near future to
consult on various matters. He __

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asked when might be convenient from points of view of
Ambassadors Kirkpatrick and Enders.

7. COMMENT: Foregoing conversation took place before
receipt of STATE 141265 (Contadora Next Steps). While we
agree with instructions as far as they go, e.g., generating
some focus on Nicaragua's support for Salvadoran guerrillas,
we wonder if, by omission, they may not further
undercut our comprehensive, global approach. In other
words, should not Salvador's (and others') demarche be
expanded to include the other factors of instability
(e.g., numbers of military trainers, arms buildup, size
of armed forces, etc.)? And to what extent of
friendly Central American countries do we raise these
issues now, they may be considered built and lost in light
of recent negotiating record in Contadora, UN and OAS
forums. More
specific suggestions as to how GOES and
others might broaden their pitch are contained in
TGUCELPA 5165. (POL)

8. Also, why can't US pursue all efforts, including with
Colombia and Venezuela and work them over a bit?