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SUBJECT: MSG DETACHMENT AUGMENTATION

ACTION: SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE

INFO: AMEMBASSY PANAMA IMMEDIATE

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PANAMA ALSO PLEASE PASS TO UNDER SECRETARY VAN GORKUM AND
DAS GARRETT

REF: TEGUCIGALPA 3729 AND PREVIOUS

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT
2. Yesterday, April 26, at approximately 3:00 p.m. local time, an unidentified individual delivered to Embassy an envelope addressed to the Ambassador with a note inside whose translation from Spanish reads "Your days are numbered. You will die."
3. This charming epistle is the last in a number of indications during recent months that the Ambassador may be more of a target for potential terrorist activity than heretofore. Of course, press stories about his alleged

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Involvement in alleged covert operations against Nicaragua adversely contribute to the situation. A good example is February/March 1983 issue of Sandinista publication "Soberania" which, in an article about the Ambassador entitled "The Power Behind the Throne - A File On a Terrorist", makes a series of grotesque allegations about Ambassador's alleged role in various destabilization activities past and present and ominously concludes "Negroponte...may also have his final experience as a diplomat".

4. It is against this background and in the context of security situation here which has been amply reported by this Post that we have asked for an augmentation of the Marine Security Guard Detachment to provide American coverage of the Ambassador's residence.

5. Embassy would appreciate prompt Department action on this matter and if MSG augmentation not possible, then request addition of three State Department security agents to supplement Ambassador's security detail. Ambassador believes it essential that during off-duty hours when he and his family are occupying residence that there be a qualified American on hand continuously.

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