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1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT
2. ~~THE~~ <sup>In</sup> conversation with Ambassador December two, Honduran Foreign Minister Paz Barnica said final arrangements being made to transfer nine Hondurans and ~~four~~ Salvadorans to Mexico who have been in asylum in Mexican Embassy for a number of months now.
3. Paz said one person who would not be allowed to leave Mexican Embassy is Sandra ~~Nuñez~~ <sup>Nuñez</sup> who is subject of Honduran legal proceedings for suspected involvement in kidnapping by ~~MX~~ FMLN of prominent banker Paul Vinelli in December 1980.

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Honduran position is that Mexican Embassy's sheltering of Sandra ~~Arreola~~<sup>Nuñez</sup> is an improper application of the principle of asylum (per Article 4 of the 1954 Caracas Convention on Asylum) and essentially an unfriendly act.

4. COMMENT: Mexican Embassy here has record of being somewhat of a terrorist boarding house. Hopefully this practice will be subject of review by new Mexican administration. We recognize asylum is an especially delicate issue in Latin America but we sometimes wonder if Mexicans haven't carried the concept a bit far.
5. Mexican Ambassador himself is known to have reservations about practice since on at least one occasion he has denied shelter to asylum seekers only to have his decision reversed by instructions from Mexico.

  
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