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HOSTAGE INCIDENT AFTERMATH: SEPTEMBER 29 CONVERSATION WITH  
DOCTOR SUAZO  
SECSTATE WASHDC

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1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT
2. At meeting with Doctor Suazo September 29 I raised issue of negotiating tactics during San Pedro incident, especially question of use of intermediary. Doctor Suazo agreed with my suggestion that on balance the use of an intermediary had been disadvantageous. The Nuncio had repeatedly accelerated the negotiating process when it had not necessarily been in GOH interest to do so and, not surprisingly, he had on occasion identified more with the terrorists' negotiating position than the GOH's. Suazo agreed that should another such incident occur, first order of business should be to ensure that negotiations are under direct government control. On a related matter Doctor Suazo told me that he had made his decision

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to agree to safe conduct for the terrorists on after-  
noon of Friday, September 24 after three hours of long,  
hard thought and ~~prayer~~ prayer.

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