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SUBJECT:
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12356: N/A
SREY, RO
ASSIGNMENT OF REFUGEE OFFICER TO TEGUCIGALPA
SECSTATE WASHDC

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~~TOP SECRET~~ TEGUCIGALPA 8129

S/R AMBASSADOR H. EUGENE DOUGLAS FROM NEGROPONTE

1. I recall that shortly after your visit here you indicated to me your concurrence in the need for a full time refugee officer in Tegucigalpa. Since that time we have had the benefit of a TDY officer but the permanent position never materialized.
2. My impression was that Dick Vine had serious problems with the idea although his reasons never particularly convinced me.
3. The situation in Honduras is now more generally aggravated than when you were last here and the refugee problem has not diminished. Indeed it has increased somewhat since you last examined the matter. Meanwhile, my staff is more preoccupied than ever with other matters, as you can well appreciate. I can no longer afford the

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[luxury of allowing one officer to spend virtually half
time on refugee matters as presently staffed.

4. I would greatly appreciate your taking another look
at this entire matter with a view to assigning us a
full time refugee officer on an urgent basis.

5. Warm regards.

NEGROPONTE

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