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RUEHSN / AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR IMMEDIATE 0253  
RUEHSJ / AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE IMMEDIATE 9321  
RUEHME / AMEMBASSY MEXICO 2393  
RUEHZP / AMEMBASSY PANAMA 9179  
RUESMG / AMEMBASSY MANAGUA 5934  
RUESBG / AMEMBASSY BOGOTA 2083  
RUEHCV / AMEMBASSY CARACAS 1674  
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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS: PREL, XK, HO  
SUBJECT: CONTADORA: SUMMARY OF JULY 1-5 SHLAUDEMAN  
VISIT AND NEXT STEPS

REF: STATE 199668

1. [REDACTED] - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. AMBASSADOR CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER PAZ BARNICA MORNING JULY 10 TO MAKE ORAL PRESENTATION ALONG LINES REQUESTED BY AMBASSADOR SHLAUDEMAN REFTEL. PAZ WAS VERY MUCH IN AGREEMENT WITH AMBASSADOR SHLAUDEMAN'S TACTICAL RECOMMENDATIONS. HE ALSO SHARED CONCERN ABOUT ATTITUDE OF PANAMA AND VENEZUELA, ESPECIALLY THE LATTER. PAZ ALSO AGREED ON IMPORTANCE OF MOVING CONTADORA DELIBERATIONS INTO A PHASE OF GENUINE NEGOTIATIONS WITH CENTRAL AMERICAS PLAYING A LEADING ROLE. PAZ DID NOT SEE THE POSSIBILITY OF A FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND NOTED THAT EVEN SANDINISTAS WERE AGREED UPON NEED FOR TECHNICAL GROUP MEETINGS. HE ADDED THAT GOH WAS RESERVING ITS DETAILED COMMENTS ON CONTADORA DRAFT TREATY FOR THE GENUINE NEGOTIATIONS PHASE WITHIN TECHNICAL GROUP. MEANWHILE, GOH INTENDS TO CONFINE ITS COMMENTS TO CONTADORA FOUR TO THOSE CONTAINED IN DOCTOR SUAZO'S LETTER OF JUNE 27. (TEGUCIGALPA 8290.) PAZ ALSO AGREED WHOLEHEARTEDLY WITH SUGGESTION THAT CORE FOUR SHOULD PRESS FOR IMMEDIATE TALKS ON DISARMAMENT, WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN FORCES AND VERIFICATION.
3. ON SUBJECT OF INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP ON SECURITY/VERIFICATION, PAZ AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO THEIR VISIT, BUT POINTED OUT THAT EARLY DURING THE WEEK OF JULY 23, GOH WOULD BE HOLDING FURTHER BORDER TALKS WITH GOES. WE AGREED TO CONFIRM DESIRABLE DATES WITH AMBASSADOR LOPEZ CONTRERAS UPON HIS RETURN FROM SAN JOSE.

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4. AMBASSADOR ALSO REMINDED PAZ THAT WE WERE STILL HOPING FOR FURTHER GOH COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENTS WHICH AMBASSADOR SELAUDEMAN HAD LEFT WITH HIM ON JULY 1.

5. BEFORE LEAVING THE SUBJECT OF CONTADORA TO DISCUSS OTHER MATTERS, PAZ REMARKED HE THOUGHT SANDINISTA REGIME WAS BECOMING INCREASINGLY "RECKLESS". PAZ WAS ASTOUNDED BY THE EXPULSION OF THE 10 CATHOLIC PRIESTS AND HE WAS CONVINCED THAT THIS WOULD ALIENATE SANDINISTAS EVEN MORE FROM THEIR ERSTWHILE WELL-WISHERS. PAZ ALSO SAID HE THOUGHT THAT, IF CORE FOUR PLAYED THEIR CARDS SKILLFULLY, BLAME FOR ANY FAILURE OF CONTADORA TALKS WOULD END UP SQUARELY ON SHOULDERS OF SANDINISTAS. NEGROPONTE

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