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[accord before congressional hearings on Milcon funds.]

4. On Security Council meeting, we reiterated our position against any substantive resolution on Nicaragua. Suazo expressed full agreement with our view.

5. On GOH peace initiative, Suazo said he was pleased with its progress. He mentioned that Panamanian reaction to Honduran delegation which had visited to promote initiative had been somewhat odd. Apparently President Royo said he planned to write Dr. Suazo a letter proposing a meeting in Panama of all Chiefs of State and Military Commanders of the region, including Fidel Castro and the Salvadoran rebels. Suazo hasn't got the letter yet but he repeated his distaste for any approach which would involve legitimizing the Salvadoran guerrillas.

Asked about reference to possible meeting with Nicaraguan Foreign Minister in text of GOH peace initiative, Suazo replied that no specific date yet envisaged. Suazo said that reference to meeting had been included in Paz Barnica's speech to defuse repeated Nicaraguan requests for meetings.

6. Ambassador then asked Suazo about GOH attitude towards CADC, noting what we had detected to be a certain reserve on Honduras' part. Ambassador wondered whether GOH was concerned about overidentifying with Salvador, offending Nicaragua, or both. Suazo replied that there

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was certainly no concern about offending Nicaragua. And on Salvador, Suazo said he felt Honduras and Salvador very much in same boat. Real reason for reserve, Suazo said, was political transition in Costa Rica. GOH did not wish to take any steps now within CADC framework which might meet with new government's resistance later on.

↳ Suazo took occasion to praise conduct of Salvadoran elections and express hope that we use our influence to ensure that Christian Democrats are not shunted aside in next government.

7. Ambassador then referred to recent reports, now being confirmed to us overtly by sources who should know, that various communist factions here have concluded their unity talks and have made threshold decision within last month to move from "oasis of peace" approach to revolutionary violence for Honduras. Ambassador also mentioned recently captured documents indicating possible plans for acts of violence against foreign officials. We urged that strongest possible preemptive measure be taken now in effort to preclude problem from taking on unmanageable proportions later on. Suazo was aware of these reports and expressed agreement with our suggestions.

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8. On Guatemala, Suazo recalled his personal ~~friendship~~ friendship with Mario Sandoval dating back to university days in Guatemala. Sandoval had called Suazo the other day to urge early GOH recognition. (The GOH responded positively.) Asked what he knew about Sandoval's role with current Guatemalan Government, Suazo said he thought Sandoval supported it but wished to avoid active participation. [

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9. Finally, Suazo asked that Ambassador convey to Washington his complete confidence/<sup>in</sup> and identification with USG positions in Central America. "We will always ~~NEGROPONTE~~ be with you," he said, "and you are the only ones who can help us if things get difficult."

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