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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
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SUBJECT: ~~PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE CHANGE OF  
AMBASSADORS~~

REF: TEGUCIGALPA 416

- 1. C - ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF JANUARY 16 LETTER FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN TO PRESIDENT SUAZO IN REPLY TO SUAZO'S LETTUR OF JANUARY 7 ON AMBASSADOR'S DEPARTURE (REFTEL). EMBASSY SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT SHARE TEXT WITH GOH; ORIGINAL WILL BE HAND DELIVERED.

3. BEGIN TEXT. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:  
I APPRECIATED RECEIVING YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 7, 1985, IN WHICH YOU EXPRESSED YOUR HIGH REGARD FOR THE EFFORTS OF AMBASSADOR NEGROPONTE TO PROMOTE FRATERNAL RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT MY CHOICE OF A SUCCESSOR FOR AMBASSADOR NEGROPONTE WILL REFLECT THE GREAT IMPORTANCE WHICH I ATTACH TO OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HONDURAS. IN THE DAYS AHEAD WE WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH YOU AND YOUR GOVERNMENT TO SEEK WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN STRENGTHEN AND DEEPEN OUR RELATIONS. I HAVE ASKED MY ASSISTANT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS, ROBERT C. MCFARLANE, TO DISCUSS WITH YOU HOW WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE OUR COMMON OBJECTIVES OF DEMOCRACY, WELL BEING, AND SECURITY IN YOUR COUNTRY AND THROUGHOUT CENTRAL AMERICA.

SINCERELY,  
RONALD REAGAN

HIS EXCELLENCY  
DR. ROBERTO SUAZO CORDOVA,  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS,  
TEGUCIGALPA.

Dept. of State, RPS/IPS, Margaret P. Grafeld, Dir.  
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