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CHRG: PROG 24/30/85  
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STATE FOR ARA AMBASSADOR MOTLEY, HA FOR ASST. SECRETARY  
ABRAMS, S/LPD FOR AMBASSADOR REICH AND RP FOR PURCELL  
FROM AMBASSADOR NEGROPONTE

F.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS: SREF, SHUM, PINR, HO, XA  
SUBJECT: ~~SYSTEMATIC DEBRIEFING OF NICARAGUAN REFUGEES~~

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. WITH THE CONTINUED REFUGEE EXODUS FROM NICARAGUA,  
EMBASSY BELIEVES THERE IS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER  
INFORMATION ON CONDITIONS INSIDE OF NICARAGUA FOR  
INTELLIGENCE AND ESPECIALLY PUBLIC AFFAIRS PURPOSES.  
AT THE MOMENT, THIS EMBASSY CARRIES OUT REFUGEE INTER-  
VIEWS ON AN AD HOC BASIS, AS TIME PERMITS BY EMBASSY  
POLITICAL/REFUGEE OFFICER, WHO HAS SUBSTANTIAL OTHER  
REPORTING AND OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES AS WELL.  
SOMETHING MORE SYSTEMATIC SEEMS TO BE CALLED FOR.

3. WHEN HE WAS LAST HERE, OTTC REICH AND I DISCUSSED  
THE POSSIBILITY OF SOMEONE FROM S/LPD OR HA COMING FOR  
A MONTH OR TWO TDY TO DO REFUGEE INTERVIEWS TO HELP  
ESTABLISH A BASELINE OF INFORMATION FOR US. THE OFFICER  
COULD JUST AS APPROPRIATELY COME FROM ARA, INR OR RP.  
AT THIS STAGE, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO  
CONSIDER THIS ISSUE ON A PRIORITY BASIS AND ADVISE ME  
AS TO ITS THOUGHTS AS TO HOW WE MIGHT BEST APPROACH THE  
MATTER OF SYSTEMATICALLY INTERVIEWING NICARAGUAN REFUGEES,  
AT LEAST ON A TDY BASIS. NEGROPONTE

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