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1. HIGHLIGHTS OF OCTOBER 5, 6, 7 AND 8 T.V. NEWSCASTS  
AND PROGRAMS.

OCTOBER 5:

-- CBS EVENING NEWS --

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GRENADA AFTERMATH: IT IS ALMOST A YEAR SINCE THE U.S. ACTION IN GRENADA AND THE SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN THERE ALMOST A YEAR. IN LESS THAN A YEAR THE OVERSIZED AIRPORT THE CUBANS WERE BUILDING IS BEING FINISHED BY THE AMERICANS. THE DOCK WHERE SO MANY RUSSIAN GUNS WERE OFFLOADED BY NIGHT IS NOW RECEIVING AMERICAN ARMS. THE SECOND FLEET DELIVERED A STRONG AND SIMPLE MESSAGE LAST YEAR. IT READ: AMERICA IS CARRYING A BIG STICK AGAIN AND IS PREPARED TO USE IT. IT IS NO ACCIDENT THAT ONE YEAR LATER CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENTS IN THE CARIBBEAN ARE STRONGER THAN EVER AND LEFT WING MOVEMENTS ARE SHATTERED AND SPLINTERED. THE MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED. WE ARE THERE IN THE FORM OF A U.S. ARMY TRAINING TEAM CREATING A GRENADIAN PARAMILITARY FORCE WHICH THE MANUAL SAYS WILL PROVIDE

SECURITY WHEN WE ARE GONE. WE ARE THERE IN THE FORM OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD MOONLIGHTING AS THE GRENADIAN NAVY. ALL IN ALL, THERE ARE 250 AMERICANS IN UNIFORM.

THERE ARE GRENADA'S ELECTIONS. THE RIGHT MAN TO WIN FROM WASHINGTON'S POINT OF VIEW IS MODERATE HERBERT BLASE. REAGAN LIKES HIM; HE LIKES REAGAN. RUNNING AGAINST BLASE  
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IS ERIC GARRY, WHOSE 23 YEARS IN POWER WAS SO BRUTAL THAT THEY PRECIPITATED THE 1979 SOCIALIST COUPE. A GARRY VICTORY IN DECEMBER IS A WASHINGTON NIGHTMARE. SO, ONE YEAR LATER EVERYONE IS BACK ON THE BEACH--SOLDIERS, MEDICAL STUDENTS, GRENADIANS AND TOURISTS WHO ARE BEGINNING TO TRICKLE BACK. (BOB SIMON)

OCTOBER 6:

-- NBC NIGHTLY NEWS --

CONTADORA PROPOSAL: AFTER MORE THAN A WEEK OF MEETINGS WITH LATIN AMERICAN LEADERS AT THE U.N., SECRETARY SHULTZ IS STILL TRYING TO COUNTER NICARAGUAN CHARGES THAT THE U.S. IS THE MAIN OBSTACLE TO PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS SHIED AWAY FROM SUPPORTING THE CURRENT DRAFT TREATY BECAUSE IT DOES NOT DO ENOUGH TO CONTROL NICARAGUA'S GROWING MILITARY POWER. A CONFIDENTIAL STATE DEPARTMENT MEMO SAYS, "THE TREATY AS CURRENTLY WORDED IS ONE-SIDED. IT WOULD LEAD TO A MILITARY IMBALANCE IN FAVOR OF THE NICARAGUANS. IT IS HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE THAT NICARAGUA WOULD FEEL COMPELLED TO END ITS SUPPORT FOR THE SALVADORAN INSURGENCY." THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION IS PRESSING ITS CENTRAL AMERICAN ALLIES TO DEMAND SPECIFIC CHANGES IN THE TEXT.

IN THE PAST FEW DAYS REGIONAL LEADERS HAVE BEEN ECHOING

WASHINGTON'S CONCERNS. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS WERE STUNNED TWO WEEKS AGO WHEN NICARAGUA DROPPED ITS OBJECTIONS TO MILITARY CONTROLS IN ARMS REDUCTIONS IN THE AREA AND AGREED TO SIGN THE PEACE TREATY. STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SAID THEY WERE CAUGHT OFF GUARD. THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION HAD ALWAYS CAST ITSELF AS THE PEACEMAKER WITH NICARAGUA THE OBSTACLE TO PEACE. BUT NOW THOSE ROLES APPEAR TO BE REVERSED, AND THIS WEEKEND DANIEL ORTEGA IS DRIVING THAT POINT HOME IN A 4-DAY PUBLIC

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RELATIONS SWING THROUGH CALIFORNIA. STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS DENY CHARGES THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS RULED OUT ANY AGREEMENT WITH THE NICARAGUANS. (FOOTAGE OF OTTO REICH: "OUR CONCERN IS THAT THE PROCESS NOT STOP NOW.") STATE OFFICIALS HAVE CALLED NICARAGUA'S ENDORSEMENT OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN PEACE TREATY A PROPAGANDA PLOY, BUT THEY

ADMIT THE BURDEN IS NOW ON THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION TO PROVE IT IS SERIOUS ABOUT SEEKING A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CENTRAL AMERICAN CONFLICT. (ROBIN LLOYD)

OCTOBER 7:

THERE WERE NO ARA TOPICS DISCUSSED.

OCTOBER 8:

-- CBS EVENING NEWS --

DUARTE PROPOSAL: THE PRESIDENT OF EL SALVADOR TODAY MADE A CONCILIATORY PEACE OFFER TO LEFTIST REBELS FIGHTING HIS GOVERNMENT. JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE, IN A SPEECH BEFORE UNGA, PROPOSED A MEETING A WEEK FROM TODAY WITH REBEL LEADERS. DUARTE SAID THE ONLY CONDITION IS THAT THEY COME WITHOUT ARMS OF ANY TYPE. HE ADDED THAT HE WOULD BE THERE WITHOUT WEAPONS AND WITHOUT PROTECTION, AND WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS WITH THE REBELS DETAILS FOR THEIR INCORPORATION IN THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY. A SPOKESMAN FOR ONE OF THE REBEL GROUPS SAID WHEN AN OFFICIAL INVITATION IS RECEIVED IT WOULD BE CONSIDERED IN A POSITIVE MANNER. (DAN RATHER)

-- ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT --  
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DUARTE PROPOSAL: JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE HAS MADE A NEW

OFFER OF PEACE TALKS TO HIS COUNTRY'S ANTI-GOVERNMENT GUERRILLAS. SPEAKING AT UNGA TODAY, DUARTE PROPOSED A GENERAL AMNESTY FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS. THERE HAS BEEN NO RESPONSE AS YET FROM THE GUERRILLA LEADERSHIP. (PETER JENNINGS)

-- NBC NIGHTLY NEWS --

DUARTE PROPOSAL: JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE REACHED OUT TO THE REBELS TODAY IN AN EFFORT TO END HIS COUNTRY'S CIVIL WAR. DUARTE SAID HE WANTED TO MEET WITH THEM NEXT WEEK IN EL SALVADOR AND TALK ABOUT PEACE. DUARTE OFFERED THE REBELS SAFETY, SAYING THAT NEITHER SIDE SHOULD BE ARMED DURING THE TALKS. (TOM BROKAW)

-- MACNEIL-LEHRER --

JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE WAS INTERVIEW BY ROBERT MACNEIL.

Q: YOU ASKED THE REBELS TO COME UNARMED TO LAPOMA A WEEK FROM TODAY. HOW WILL YOU GUARANTEE THEIR SECURITY

A: I HAVE SAID THAT I AM GUARANTEEING THEIR SECURITY WITH MY LIFE. I'LL BE THERE WITHOUT ARMS EITHER. SO, WHATEVER WILL HAPPEN IT WILL BE MY LIFE FIRST.

Q: THE REBELS HAVE CONSISTENTLY REFUSED TO TAKE PART IN ELECTIONS, WHICH IS ONE OF THE THINGS YOU SAY YOU WANT TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT, UNLESS THEY ARE GIVEN A SHARE OF POWER FIRST. WHY WOULD THEY AGREE NOW?

A: I HAVE PRESENTED IN THE U.N. SPEECH MY CONCEPT. THEY HAVE MADE A HISTORICAL MISTAKE. THEY HAVE TO REDEFINE THEIR STRATEGY AGAINST THE NEW REALITY, AND THIS IS THE UNCLASSIFIED

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REASON WHY I AM CALLING THE COMMANDANTES IN THE MOUNTAINS. BECAUSE THEY ARE THE ONES WHO COME DOWN TO THE TOWNS. THEY ARE THE ONES WHO NEED THE PEOPLE WHEN THEY THINK THAT THEY ARE GOING TO THE TOWNS AS LIBERATORS AND THEY FIND DIFFERENTLY. THEY ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE SUFFERED WHEN THEY FIND A DIFFERENT TRUTH. THEY ARE THE ONES WHO UNDERSTAND THAT THE REALITY OF TODAY IS DIFFERENT THAN THE REALITY OF 1979.

Q: IS PART OF THE NEW REALITY THAT YOU WOULD NOW BE PREPARED TO OFFER REBEL LEADERS SOME POSTS IN YOUR GOVERNMENT, A SHARE OF POWER?

A: NO, THAT WOULD BE AGAINST THE CONSTITUTION. THERE IS ONE WAY, AND THE WAY IS ELECTIONS, AND THE ELECTION IS NEXT MARCH. AND SO THERE IS TIME FOR THEM. IF THEY WANT

TO HAVE A POLL THEY HAVE TO WIN IT TO WIN THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE.

Q: U.S. PENTAGON OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN QUOTED RECENTLY AS SAYING THAT YOUR ARMY NOW HAS THE UPPER HAND IN THE WAR AGAINST THE REBELS. DOES YOUR GOVERNMENT AGREE WITH THAT?

A: I WOULD SAY THAT (INAUDIBLE) HAS THE INITIATIVE. THERE IS NO QUESTION ABOUT (INAUDIBLE) IN THE LAST THREE OR FOUR MONTHS. BUT THIS IS ONLY SEEING IT THROUGH A MILITARY POINT OF VIEW. MY POINT OF VIEW IS THAT THIS IS NOT A MILITARY WAR; THIS IS A POLITICAL WAR. THIS IS THE REASON WHY I AM PRESENTING POLITICAL SOLUTIONS.

Q: ARE YOU OFFERING THIS MEETING NOW BECAUSE YOU THINK THE REBELS ARE IN A MILITARY POSITION, WHICH YOU HAVE THE INITIATIVE, AS YOU SAY, WHICH MIGHT MAKE THEM WANT TO COME?  
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A: NO, THAT WILL BE AGAIN TAKING IN CONSIDERATION ONLY MILITARY OBJECTIVES. I AM SEEING THIS AS A POLITICAL

CONFRONTATION. I HAVE TO PRESENT WITH POLITICAL POSITIONS AND POLITICAL SOLUTIONS. WHAT I'M TRYING TO DO IS TO MAKE EVERYBODY UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WAR HAS DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS, AND ONE OF THESE DIMENSIONS IS IDEOLOGICAL, POLITICAL, ECONOMICAL, SOCIAL AND MILITARY. EVERYTHING HAS NOT TO BE MEASURED IN THE MILITARY DIMENSION. THIS IS A MISTAKE.

Q: IF THEY DON'T COME YOU WILL PRESS ON FOR THE MILITARY SIDE OF THE STRUGGLE?

A: I'LL KEEP ON PRESSING UPON THE POLITICAL FORMULA THAT I HAVE PRESENTED. FOR EXAMPLE, I PRESENT IN THE FORMULA THAT WE COULD DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITIES OF FREEING SOME OF THE PRISONERS THAT BOTH (INAUDIBLE). SO, WE ALREADY HAD A CHANGE SOME PRISONERS THROUGH THE --

Q: THAT HAPPENED JUST A FEW DAYS AGO.

A: SURE, THIS IS AN EFFORT THAT I'M MAKING. NOW, TODAY I AM MAKING ANOTHER EFFORT. I ALREADY HAVE ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING THAT MR. (INAUDIBLE) ARE TO BE FREE TODAY, ACCORDING TO THE FINAL RESOLUTION GIVEN YESTERDAY.

Q: THOSE ARE THE LABOR LEADERS WHO HAVE BEEN IN JAIL WITHOUT TRIAL IN YOUR COUNTRY SINCE 1980?

A: THAT IS CORRECT. THEY ARE FREE TODAY.

Q: AND THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION HAS RECENTLY BEEN BRINGING A LOT OF PRESSURE AS WE READ IN OUR NEWSPAPERS TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS OF JUSTICE IN THEIR CASE.  
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A: I DON'T KNOW IF MR. REAGAN HAS PRESSED UPON THAT, BUT THIS IS MY STYLE. THIS IS THE WAY I ACT. I AM LOOKING FOR A WAY IN WHICH I HAVE GIVEN SIGNS THAT THE SOLUTION IS A POLITICAL SOLUTION AND I'M TAKING STEPS TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM.

Q: ARE THEY FREED, AND ARE THE CHARGES DISMISSED, OR ARE THEY FREED PENDING TRIAL?

A: NO, THEY ARE FREE AND CHARGES DISMISSED.

Q: TO COME BACK TO THE INVITATION TO THE REBELS, WHAT IS IT YOU THINK MIGHT MAKE THE REBELS WANT TO COME NOW?

A: AGAIN, AS I SAY, THE PEOPLE IN THE MOUNTAINS -- THE REBELS IN THE MOUNTAINS -- KNOW THAT THEY ARE

(INAUDIBLE). THEY HAVE TO REVISE THEIR POSITION. THE DIFFERENCE OF THE REBELS OUTSIDE OR THE POLITICAL GROUPS OUTSIDE IS THAT THEY LEFT THE COUNTRY IN 1978, AND FROM THAT MOMENT ON THE COUNTRY IS ABSOLUTELY DIFFERENT.

Q: LAST WEEK THE REBEL LEADER ZAMORA SAID PRESIDENT REAGAN WOULDN'T ALLOW YOU TO TALK TO THEM. HAVE YOU CLEARED THIS WITH THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION BEFORE YOU MADE THIS OFFER TODAY?

A: I DON'T HAVE TO ASK PERMISSION TO TAKE DECISIONS AS PRESIDENT OF MY COUNTRY, AND AT THIS MOMENT I CAN TELL YOU THAT MR. ZAMORA AND ALL THE POLITICAL GROUPS ARE ALSO HAVING A DEBATE. AS YOU KNOW, THERE WILL BE A COAST-TO-COAST DEBATE IN LOS ANGELES BETWEEN THE  
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POLITICALS OF THE (INAUDIBLE) AND THE POLITICALS OF THE FDR.

Q: BUT HAVE YOU TOUCHED BASE WITH THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION ON THIS OFFER TO THE REBELS?

A: NO. THE ONLY THING I DID THIS MORNING WAS TO HANDLE MRS. KIRKPATRICK WITH A COPY OF THE SPEECH.

Q: YOU ALSO SAID IN YOUR SPEECH TODAY YOU WILL ASK YOUR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY TO APPROVE AN AMNESTY. WHAT WOULD THE TERMS OF THAT BE?

A: THAT WILL BE (INAUDIBLE) AS SOON AS I GET BACK TO MY COUNTRY.

Q: IS THAT CONDITIONAL ON THE REBELS COMING TO THESE TALKS?

A: NO, THAT IS SOMETHING ELSE. THIS IS AGAIN ANOTHER SIGN OF MY WILL TO LOOK FOR PEACE.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY CONFIDENCE THAT YOUR ASSEMBLY WOULD PASS SUCH AN AMNESTY?

A: WELL, I'LL DO MY BEST AND I'LL WORK IN FAVOR OF IT. AT THIS MOMENT I BELIEVE I HAVE A MAJORITY ON THIS ISSUE AND I HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THE PPS WHO HAS ONE VOTE, THE SUPPORT OF THE PCM WHO HAS FIVE VOTES, AND THE SUPPORT OF THE AD WHO HAS TWO VOTES. SO, THAT MAKES IT 8 VOTES, PLUS 24 WE HAVE, WE HAVE THE MAJORITY.

Q: WOULD THE ARMY IN EL SALVADOR SUPPORT SUCH AN AMNESTY?

A: THERE IS NO QUESTION. THE HIGH COMMAND IS ABSOLUTELY BEHIND MY DECISIONS ON THIS. (END INTERVIEW)  
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## 2. PRESS SUMMARY, OCTOBER 6-9, 1984

-- (TUESDAY, 10/9) NEW YORK TIMES --

HONDURAS: PHILIP TAUBMAN, FRONT PAGE ("HONDURAS SEEKS LOOSER ALLIANCE AND RISE IN AID") QUOTES FONMIN EDGARDO PAZ BARNICA, IN A NEW YORK INTERVIEW: "WE WANT A MORE INDEPENDENT RELATIONSHIP ON SECURITY ISSUES AND MORE ASSISTANCE IN HELPING BUILD OUR ECONOMY AND STRENGTHENING OUR DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM... MY GOVERNMENT HAS GROWN IMPATIENT WITH THE LACK OF A CONCRETE RESPONSE FROM THE US."

ACCORDING TO TAUBMAN, HE SAID HONDURAS HAD "FORMALLY ASKED THE US AT THE END OF JULY TO APPOINT A HIGH-LEVEL COMMISSION TO DISCUSS CHANGES IN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE REPORTED THAT THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION HAD RESISTED THE SUGGESTION, ALTHOUGH HE SAID SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SECSTATE GEORGE P. SHULTZ, HAD TOLD HIM THE ADMINISTRATION WAS WILLING TO TALK ABOUT INCREASING ECONOMIC AID." IN ADDITION, CITING THE HIGH POLITICAL COSTS OF HONDURAN COOPERATION, PAZ

CALLED US ECONOMIC AID "SUBSTANTIAL BUT NOT SUFFICIENT," ADDING, "WE WANT AMERICAN HELP TO STABILIZE OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM AND OUR SOCIAL SYSTEM. WITHOUT THAT, OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE MILITARY COOPERATION WITH THE US WOULD BE MEANINGLESS."

STATE DEPT OFFICIALS WERE SURPRISED AT THE COMMENTS, SINCE US AND HONDURAN OFFICIALS TALKED OFTEN, AND, ALTHOUGH NO SPECIAL COMMISSION HAD BEEN FORMED, THE US "HAD NO OBJECTION TO EXPLORING POSSIBLE CHANGES." HONDURAS, TAUBMAN SAYS, "HAS TAKEN SEVERAL STEPS RECENTLY TO

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DISTANCE ITSELF FROM THE US ON SECURITY ISSUES, INCLUDING THE ANNOUNCEMENT LAST MONTH THAT IT WOULD NO LONGER PERMIT THE TRAINING OF SALVADORAN TROOPS AT A REGIONAL MILITARY CENTER IN HONDURAS THAT IS OPERATED BY THE US." HE SEES PAZ'S COMMENTS AS "THE MOST FORCEFUL STATEMENT OF HONDURAN CONCERNS SINCE RELATIONS WITH WASHINGTON BEGAN TO CHILL AFTER GEN. GUSTAVO ALVAREZ MARTINEZ... WAS OUSTED BY FELLOW OFFICERS IN MARCH."

EL SALVADOR: JAMES FERON, FRONT PAGE FROM THE UN ("DUARTE PROPOSES REBELS MEET HIM FOR PEACE TALKS: IN UN ADDRESS, SALVADORAN LEADER SUGGESTS A PARLEY STARTING NEXT MONDAY") REPORTS PRES. DUARTE'S OFFER, MADE AT THE END OF HIS ADDRESS TO THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THAT HE WAS PREPARED

TO HOLD PEACE TALKS WITH THE GUERRILLAS NEXT MONDAY AT LA PALMA. SENIOR GUERRILLA LEADERS, IN MEXICO CITY, WERE "COMPLETELY SURPRISED" BUT "OPEN AND ATTENTIVE" TO THE POSSIBILITY.

STATE DEPT OFFICIALS "SAID THEY HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF MR. DUARTE'S PLAN TO USE THE SPEECH TO CALL FOR NEGOTIATIONS. 'HE'S GOT HIS OWN TIMETABLE AND THAT'S FINE WITH US,' A SENIOR DEPT OFFICIAL SAID." FERON NOTES THAT DUARTE HAD DECLINED TO MEET GUERRILLA LEADERS IN THE PAST, UNTIL CONDITIONS WERE RIGHT, BUT NOW HAS INDICATED "THAT A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF THE TALKS COULD LEAD TO NEW ELECTIONS. HE SAID THAT THEY WOULD DISCUSS THE 'INCORPORATION' OF THE GUERRILLAS 'IN THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF FREEDOM WITH THE HOPE THAT WE MAY HAVE ANOTHER POPULAR ELECTION.'" HE ALSO "HELD OUT THE PROMISE OF A GENERAL AMNESTY FOR POLITICAL CRIMES."

HE SAID THE INVITATION WENT TO THE GUERRILLAS AND NOT TO THE POLITICAL FDR, BECAUSE THE WAR MUST BE SETTLED "BY THOSE WITH AUTHORITY TO REACH DECISIONS." HE DID NOT RULE

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OUT LATER TALKS WITH THE FDR, SAYING THAT THIS WAS WHY HE "HAD AGREED TO JOIN IN A DEBATE TO BE HELD IN LOS ANGELES EARLY IN NOVEMBER," TO INCLUDE FDR REPRESENTATIVES. HE SAID THE GUERRILLA MOVEMENT WAS LOSING SUPPORT: "IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT THOSE WHO ABANDONED EL SALVADOR, EVEN THE LEADERS OF GUERRILLAS STILL IN THE MOUNTAINS, CANNOT BELIEVE THERE IS A NEW REALITY."

"AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, MR. DUARTE ALSO REFERRED TO ...THE CASE OF A UNION OFFICIAL WHO HAS BEEN IMPRISONED IN EL SALVADOR WITHOUT TRIAL SINCE 1980." US LABOR LEADERS AND CONGRESSMEN HAD BEEN PRESSING HIM ON THIS, AND HE SAID THAT A MILITARY JUDGE WOULD RELEASE HECTOR RECINOS AND OTHER UNION OFFICIALS TODAY.

JAMES LEMOYNE, P. 10 FROM MEXICO CITY ("INSURGENTS WANT FORMAL INVITATION; REBEL LEADERS IN MEXICO CITY SAY THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO CONFER WITH DUARTE") REPORTS THAT INSURGENT LEADERS WERE "COMPLETELY SURPRISED" BY THE DUARTE OFFER, BUT "OPEN AND ATTENTIVE" TO THE PROSPECT OF A MEETING, IF THEY RECEIVED A FORMAL INVITATION. THOUGH THEY WOULD NOT "ACCEPT A SPEECH AS AN OFFICIAL PROPOSAL," AN FMLN LEADER, SALVADOR SAMAYOA, SAID, "IF HE SENDS US A COMMUNIQUE OR AN EMISSARY, OUR POSITION WOULD BE UNDOUBTEDLY POSITIVE." HE SAID "THE REBELS WOULD BE WILLING TO AGREE TO A CEASE-FIRE AS A CONDITION FOR TALKS."

ON FRIDAY, REBEL SPOKESMAN RUBEN ZAMORA HAD ACCUSED DUARTE

OF "PLAYING WITH NEGOTIATIONS," SINCE THE REBELS HAD RECEIVED NO REPLY TO TWO SPECIFIC PROPOSALS. LEMOYNE SAYS THAT DUARTE HAD BEEN TRYING TO WIN ARMY APPROVAL FOR NEGOTIATIONS, NOW MAY BE RESPONDING TO CONTADORA  
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DEVELOPMENTS AND TO DOMESTIC PRESSURE FROM THE CHURCH AND FROM PEASANT UNIONS.

EL SALVADOR: WAYNE BIDDLE, P. 9 ("SALVADOR OFFICER SAID TO HAVE TOLD OF NAPALM USE") WRITES, "THE COMMANDER OF EL SALVADOR'S AIR FORCE TOLD VISITING MEMBERS OF THE US CONGRESS LAST YEAR THAT NAPALM INCENDIARY WEAPONS HAD BEEN USED AGAINST GUERRILLA FORCES," UNTIL 1981, ACCORDING TO REP. JAMES L. OBERSTAR (D-MN), A MEMBER OF THE DELEGATION IN MARCH 1983. HE SAID THAT COL. RAFAEL BUSTILLOS HAD TOLD HIM THAT BEFORE THE PROVISION OF US A-37 AIRCRAFT GAVE PILOTS GOOD ACCURACY FOR CONVENTIONAL BOMBING, "THEY USED NAPALM WEAPONS SUPPLIED BY ISRAEL."

NICARAGUA/ICJ: AP/HAGUE BRIEF, P. 10 ("WORLD COURT POSTPONES DECISION ON NICARAGUA") REPORTS THAT THE WORLD COURT WILL TAKE UP "HEARINGS ON WHETHER IT HAS JURISDICTION" TO HEAR THE NICARAGUAN COMPLAINT, POSTPONING ANY DECISION ON THE COMPLAINT ITSELF. US REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS R. ROBINSON "HAS ARGUED THAT THE COURT DOES NOT HAVE JURISDICTION BECAUSE NICARAGUA NEVER RECOGNIZED THE AUTHORITY OF THE WORLD COURT."

BRAZIL: ALAN RIDING, P. 11 FROM RIO DE JANEIRO ("BRAZIL WELCOMES JIMMY CARTER ON LATIN TOUR") SAYS FORMER PRESIDENT CARTER, ON A LATIN AMERICAN TOUR, "HAS BEEN RECEIVED WARMLY BY CIVILIAN POLITICIANS WHO CREDIT HIM WITH HAVING REDUCED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND HASTENED THE END OF SOME MILITARY DICTATORSHIPS."

CARTER WAS IN BRAZIL TO ADDRESS THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE, A PEOPLE -TO -PEOPLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM. HE "CHARGED PRES. REAGAN WITH TRYING 'TO REFUTE OUR NATION'S COMMITMENTS' TO HUMAN RIGHTS. 'THE FIRST MAJOR TRIP BY JEANE KIRKPATRICK WAS TO CHILE AND ARGENTINA TO MEET THEIR DICTATORS,' HE SAID. 'THIS SENT A CLEAR SIGNAL THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS

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POLICY HAD BEEN ABANDONED. BUT THE HUNGER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IS STRONG. THE FACT OF THE REVERSAL IN THE WHITE HOUSE WON'T STOP IT. YOU CAN'T UNDO WHAT'S BEING DONE IN ARGENTINA, PERU, BRAZIL AND OTHER COUNTRIES."

GRENADA: REUTERS/ST. GEORGE'S, P. 11 ("GRENADA POLITICIAN ASKS US TO KEEP TROOPS ON THE ISLAND") NOTES REQUEST FROM NEW NATIONAL PARTY LEADER HERBERT BLAIZE, WHO SAID, "WE CANNOT PERMIT THEM TO LEAVE UNTIL WE AND THEY ARE

SATISFIED THAT WE HAVE CREATED A SUFFICIENT SECURITY FORCE IN GRENADA."

-- (MONDAY, 10/8) NEW YORK TIMES --

CUBA: JOSEPH B. TREASTER, FRONT PAGE ("CUBA, CITING THREAT OF INVASION BY U.S., STEPS UP READINESS") SAYS, "IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN CONDUCTING LARGE-SCALE EVACUATION AND COMBAT DRILLS IN ANTICIPATION, IT SAYS OF AN ATTACK BY THE US." ACTING FONMIN JOSE RAUL VIERA LINARES SAYS, "WE HAVE NEVER FELT TO THREATENED."

A STATE DEPT SPOKESMAN SAID, "WE DON'T PLAN ON INVADING CUBA, PERIOD," AND USINT CHIEF JOHN A. FERCH "SAID THERE HAD BEEN NO CHANGES IN US POLICY IN CUBAN IN RECENT MONTHS. '...WE FIND NOTHING IN OUR ACTIONS AND POLICIES THAT EXPLAINS THE INCREASE IN CUBAN DEFENSE MEASURES."

EL SALVADOR: PHILIP TAUBMAN, P. 4 FROM WASHINGTON  
("SALVADOR JAILING HAS U.S. BACKLASH; DUARTE URGED TO  
RESOLVE CASE OF UNION CHIEF IMPRISONED 4 YEARS WITHOUT  
TRIAL") WRITES THAT THE CASE OF A UNION OFFICIAL, HECTOR  
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RECINOS AGUIRRE, "IMPRISONED IN EL SALVADOR WITHOUT TRIAL  
SINCE 1980 HAS BECOME AN ISSUE IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US  
AND EL SALVADOR, ACCORDING TO ADMINISTRATON OFFICIALS."  
US LABOR LEADERS AND CONGRESSMEN HAVE BEEN PRESSING PRES.  
DUARTE TO RESOLVE IT, "CONTENDING IT IS A TEST OF HIS  
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OFFICIALS SAID THAT THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION, "PARTLY IN  
RESPONSE TO THE INCREASED INTEREST IN THE CASE IN  
CONGRESS," HAD INTERVENED TO ASSURE THE LEGAL RIGHTS OF  
RECINOS AND NINE OTHERS. RECINOS, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF  
SALVADORAN WORKERS DIRECTOR, HAD BEEN ARREST DURING A  
STRIKE OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS IN 1980 TO PROTEST "WHAT THEY  
SAID WAS GOVERNMENT HARASSMENT OF THE UNION AND ITS  
MEMBERS." THE STRIKE BLACKED OUT MOST OF THE COUNTRY FRO  
24 HOURS.

RECINOS AND THE OTHERS WERE CHARGED WITH "ILLEGAL  
POSSESSION OF ARMS AND ACTS OF TERRORISM," SINCE, THE  
GOVERNMENT SAID, "THE STRIKE WAS DESIGNED TO SUPPORT  
GUERRILLAS EFFORTS TO DISRUPT THE ECONOMY."

NICARAGUA: STEPHEN KINZER, P. 4 FROM MANAGUA ("DOCTORS  
ASSESS GRIM COST OF NICARAGUA WAR") CITES DATA FROM A  
GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED CONFERENCE OF NICARAGUAN AND  
PRO-SANDINISTA US DOCTORS LAST WEEK THAT "HEALTH AND

MEDICAL SERVICES... HAVE BEEN SEVERELY DISRUPTED" BY  
CONTINUING WARFARE. ACCORDING TO ORGANIZERS, OVER 200 US  
PHYSICIANS ATTENDED. PAPERS PRESENTED CITED WAR-RELATED  
PROBLEMS RANGING FROM "THE DESTRUCTION OF HEALTH CENTERS  
AND THE KILLING OF MEDICAL WORKERS TO A SHORTAGE OF  
SURGICAL SUPPLIES AND AN INCREASE IN MENTAL ILLNESS."  
MEDICAL RESOURCES WERE BEING DIVERTED FROM CIVILIAN USE TO  
BATTLEFRONTS.

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EL SALVADOR: REUTERS/SAN SALVADOR, P. 8 ("SALVADOR HAS  
NAPALM, OFFICIAL ACKNOWLEDGES") NOTES DEFMIN EUGENIO VIDES  
CASANOVA STATEMENT THAT THE AIR FORCE HAS 25 NAPALM BOMBS,

BUT "AS FAR AS I KNOW, THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN USED, AND THE PLANES DO NOT EVEN HAVE THE EQUIPMENT TO FIRE OR DROP THEM."

-- (SUNDAY, 8/7) NEW YORK TIMES --

EL SALVADOR: PHILIP TAUBMAN, FRONT PAGE ("US AIDES SAY SALVADOR ARMY IS NOW ON TOP") WRITES, "THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION CLAIMS THE SALVADORAN MILITARY HAS BROKEN A LONG STALEMATE WITH GUERRILLA FORCES AND IS CAPABLE OF NEUTRALIZING THE INSURGENTS BY THE END OF 1986 IF CURRENT MILITARY AND POLITICAL TRENDS CONTINUE." UNDERSECDEF FRED C. IKLE SAID, "THERE HAS BEEN A RECENT CONVERGENCE OF DEVELOPMENTS THAT, IF CONTINUED, WILL PROMOTE EVENTUAL SUCCESS IN GETTING THE INSURGENTS UNDER CONTROL." TAUBMAN ALSO CITES THE CONTRARY OPINION EXPRESSED BY RETIRED US ARMY COLONEL EDWARD L. KING.

EL SALVADOR: JAMES LEMOYNE, P. 13 FROM MEXICO CITY ("SALVADORAN REBELS SAY FORCED RECRUITING IS OVER") REPORTS A REBEL NEW CONFERENCE FOLLOWING AN EXCHANGE OF 8 ARMY OFFICERS FOR 4 IMPRISONED GUERRILLA LEADERS AND SAFE PASSAGE FOR 60 WOUNDED GUERRILLAS. THEY "ACKNOWLEDGED THAT FORCED RECRUITMENT OF CIVILIANS HAD CAUSED THEM 'A PUBLIC OPINION PROBLEM.'"

"AT THIS MOMENT YOU HAVE ASKED US, IS THERE FORCED RECRUITMENT," SAID ANA GUADALUPE MARTINEZ, A LEADING MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL-DIPLOMATIC COMMISSION OF THE REBEL FMLN. "WE ANSWER, NO. I WANT THIS TO BE CLEAR. NO." SHE SAID  
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"REBELS HAD TAKEN CIVILIANS IN A FEW CASES FROM VILLAGES WHERE THE GUERRILLAS WERE ENGAGED IN 'POLITICAL WORK.' THE VILLAGERS HAD BEEN TAKEN TO PREVENT THEM FROM BEING FORCIBLY RECRUITED BY THE ARM, THE REBEL OFFICIALS SAID."

"THERE HAVE BEEN UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT SOME OF THE OTHER REBEL FACTIONS DISAGREED WITH THE TACTIC, ARGUING

THAT CIVILIANS WHO WERE FORCIBLY RECRUITED WOULD NOT FIGHT WITH CONVICTION AND THAT MANY WOULD DESERT. DESERTIONS... APPEAR TO HAVE RISEN IN RECENT MONTHS. THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTS FROM FLEEING PEASANTS THAT, FOR THE FIRST TIME, REBELS HAVE ORDERED THE KILLING OF SOME DESERTERS."

NICARAGUA: "THE WORLD," P. 4E ("A NICARAGUAN ELECTION DEAL FALLS THROUGH") RECAPS THE WEEK'S EVENTS, CONCENTRATING ON THE COLLAPSE OF THE CRUZ/ARCE TALKS IN RIO DE JANEIRO.

NICARAGUA: EDIT, P. 20E ("GOING WITH THE WIND IN

NICARAGUA") SAYS, "NICARAGUA'S SANDINISTAS RISK BLOWING AWAY A CHANCE TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR POPULARITY AND TO CONFOUND THEIR MOST BITTER CRITICS. ALL ALONG PRES. REAGAN HAS INSISTED THAT THEY WOULD NEVER PERMIT REASONABLY FREE ELECTIONS OR GENUINE PLURALISM. IF THEY GO FORWARD WITH PLANS TO HOLD A SHAM VOTE ON NOV. 4, THEY WILL CONFIRM MR. REAGAN'S THESIS." POSTPONING THE ELECTIONS TO ALLOW ARTURO CRUZ TO PARTICIPATE, THEY "COULD ALSO TEST MR. CRUZ'S ASSURANCES THAT 'CONTRA' REBELS WILL HALT THEIR ATTACKS BY OCT. 25. IF THAT PROMISE PROVED EMPTY, THE ONUS FOR WRECKING THE ELECTION WOULD FALL ON THE INSURGENTS AND THEIR AMERICAN PATRONS."

SINCE THE SANDINISTAS THINK CRUZ HAS ONLY ABOUT 10 PCT SUPPORT, THEY "SHOULD SEE ONLY BENEFITS" FROM ACCEPTING A DEAL. THEIR OBJECTION THAT THE DEADLINE HAS PASSED IS UNCLASSIFIED

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"SCARCELY WORTHY OF THE STAKES INVOLVED." TO THE ARGUMENT THAT MR. CRUZ CANNOT COUNT ON THE SUPPORT OF HIS OWN COALITION, EDIT ASKS, "WHY NOT EXPOSE IT BY GIVING MR. CRUZ WHAT HE WANTS?"

"FACE, NOT SENSE, SEEMS A BETTER EXPLANATION FOR A FOOLISH REFUSAL TO GRASP A PRECIOUS OPENING. HARDLINERS AMONG THE SANDINISTAS SCORN POSTPONEMENT OF THE VOTE AS A CAPITULATION TO THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION. THUS MAY THEIR OWN INTOLERANT IDEOLOGY PROPEL THEM ON THE VERY COURSE THAT A HOSTILE WASHINGTON PREDICTS." A VOTE WITH "A TOLERATED OPPOSITION... ALLOWED A MODICUM OF SCOPE," AS IN THE SOMOZA DAYS, "WOULD BE MEANINGLESS, ONLY CONFIRMING THE GOVERNMENT'S IRON GRIP ON POWER." IT WOULD ALSO "UNDERCUT NICARAGUA'S SHREWD ENDORSEMENT" OF THE CONTADORA TREATY, WHICH CALLS FOR FREE ELECTIONS.

EDIT CONCLUDES, "IF NICARAGUA'S NINE RULING COMMANDANTS LIVE IN THE REAL WORLD AND ARE SERIOUS ABOUT CONTADORA, LET THEM DEAL SERIOUSLY WITH MR. CRUZ. NOT SINCE THE SANDINISTAS SWEEP TO POWER IN 1979 HAS THERE BEEN A MORE

PROMISING OPENING FOR A REGIONAL SETTLEMENT. BUT IT'S GOING WITH THE WIND, AND WITHIN DAYS COULD BE GONE."

-- (SATURDAY, 10/6) NEW YORK TIMES --

EL SALVADOR: JAMES LEMOYNE, P. 3 FROM MEXICO CITY ("CAPTIVES RELEASED IN SALVADOR WAR: GUERRILLAS SAY 8 OFFICERS AND 4 REBEL COMMANDERS WERE FREED AS PART OF DEAL") REPORTS THAT 8 ARMY OFFICERS HAVE BEEN FREED IN EXCHANGE FOR 4 IMPRISONED REBEL LEADERS AND SAFE PASSAGE FOR 60 WOUNDED GUERRILLAS TO FOREIGN HOSPITALS. ACCORDING UNCLASSIFIED

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TO REBEL LEADERS, THE EXCHANGE WAS NEGOTIATED BETWEEN THE ARMY, THE CHURCH AND THE RED CROSS.

HONDURAS: STUART TAYLOR JR, SAME PAGE ("US COURT REINSTATES SUIT ON HONDURAN LAND") REPORTS A FEDERAL APPEALS COURT'S REINSTATEMENT OF A LAWSUIT BY TEMISTOCLES RAMIREZ DE ARELLANO, A US CITIZEN "WHO CHARGED THAT HIS 14,000 ACRE RANCH IN HONDURAS WAS SEIZED UNCONSTITUTIONALLY BY THE US MILITARY." IN HIS LAWSUIT RAMIREZ HAD SAID THAT US TROOPS OCCUPIED HIS LAND, DESTROYING HIS BUSINESSES, WITHOUT ANY BINDING DECREE FROM THE HONDURAN GOVERNMENT EXPROPRIATING IT AND WITHOUT COMPENSATION. THE JUSTICE DEPT, DEFENDING, SAID THAT THE TRAINING CAMP WAS A HONDURAN PROJECT.

EL SALVADOR: SAME PAGE BRIEF ("WORLD COURT DISMISSES PETITION BY EL SALVADOR") NOTES ICJ REJECTION OF A SALVADORAN PETITION TO INTERVENE ON THE US SIDE IN THE THE ARGUMENT THAT THE COURT SHOULD NOT DECIDE NICARAGUA'S COMPLAINT AGAINST THE US. "LEGAL EXPERTS CLOSE TO THE CASE SAW THE RULING AS ANOTHER INDICATION THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE COURT IS HOSTILE TO THE US'S EFFORTS TO PREVENT IT FROM DECIDING THE LEGALITY OF AMERICAN SPONSORSHIP OF THE NICARAGUAN REBELS."

ARGENTINA: LYDIA CHAVEZ, SAME PAGE FROM BUENOS AIRES ("ARGENTINES TELL OF DOUBT ON TRIAL") REPORTS OFFICIALS' DOUBTS ON THE "GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY TO OBTAIN GUILTY VERDICTS AGAINST NINE FORMER JUNTA MEMBERS CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEATHS OF CIVILIANS IN THE 1970S.

IMMIGRATION: CARLOS FUENTES OP-ED, P. 23 ("MCCARRAN-WALTER SADO MASOCHISM") RECOUNTS HIS EXPERIENCES AS A "ONCE-AND-FUTURE VICTIME OF THE MCCARRAN WALTER ACT OF 1952." HAVING NEVER RECEIVED AN EXPLANATION OF HIS VISA REFUSALS, HE WONDERES, "WHY ARE MY BOOKS, AND THOSE OF UNCLASSIFIED

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OTHER EXCLUDABLES, PUBLISHED HERE; OUR MAGAZINE ARTICLES PRINTED HERE; OUR VOICES HEARD HERE ON TV AND RADIO;

WHEREAS ONLY OUR PHYSICAL PERSONS, SURELY THE LEAST DANGEROUS PART OF OUR INTELLECTUAL OR POLITICAL OR MORAL TOTALITY, ARE JUDGED DANGEROUS? THE ANSWER SEEMS CLEAR: WE ARE PUNISHED FOR OUR POLITICAL OPINIONS." THE ACT'S PROVISION "BELONGS TO THE REALM OF SADO-MASOCHISM, NOT TO THE LEGAL LEDGERS OF A SELF-RESPECTING, POWERFUL

DEMOCRACY."

-- (TUESDAY, 10/9) WASHINGTON POST --

EL SALVADOR: MICHAEL J. BERLIN, FRONT PAGE FROM THE UN ("SALVADORAN LEADER PROPOSES MEETING WITH GUERRILLAS") REPORTS THAT DUARTE IN HIS UNGA SPEECH "IN A DRAMATIC REVERSAL OF POLICY, OFFERED A GENERAL AMNESTY... FOR ALL POLITICAL CRIMES AND PROPOSED THAT THE LEADERS OF LEFTIST GUERRILLA GROUPS MEET WITH HIM --UNARMED --NEXT MONDAY TO DISCUSS 'THEIR INCORPORATION INTO THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY.'" HE DID NOT INCLUDE THE CIVILIAN LEADERS OF THE FDR, WHO "LIVE IN SELF-IMPOSED EXILE, BECAUSE, THEY SAY, THEY FEAR THEY WOULD BE KILLED IF THEY RETURNED TO EL SALVADOR. IN NOVEMBER 1980 FIVE LEADERS... WERE KIDNAPPED AND MURDERED." DUARTE SAID THE POLITICAL LEADERS "HAVE NO AUTHORITY OVER THE MILITARY COMMANDERS..."

DUARTE SAID HE HAD "...COMPLETE SUPPORT OF THE ARMY HIGH COMMAND" FOR THE MEETING'S SECURITY, SAID THAT HE TOO WAS "PUTTING MY LIFE ON THE LINE. I AM GOING TO ATTEND ALONE, WITHOUT ANY PROTECTION."

THE US EMBASSY IN SAN SALVADOR SAID, "PRESIDENT DUARTE'S UNCLASSIFIED

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OFFER TO MEET WITH THE GUERRILLA MILITARY LEADERS IS A MAJOR FORWARD STEP IN THE PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION BASED ON DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS AND A CLEAR ADVANCE IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA. WE APPLAUD THIS SPEECH AND THESE ACTIONS AND FULLY SUPPORT THEM." STATE SPOKESMAN JOE REAP CALLED THE OFFER "A CLEAR ADVANCE IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA."

NICARAGUA: FRONT-PAGE NOTE ("ORTEGA TRAVELS U.S.") LEADS TO: JOANNE OMANG, P. 3 FROM LOS ANGELES ("NICARAGUAN LEADER MAKES U.S. TOUR; ORTEGA CAMPAIGNS TO BOOS IMAGE OF SANDINISTA GOVERNMENT"; BOXED QUOTE FROM ORTEGA: "THE AMERICAN PEOPLE MUST PUT PRESSURE ON THEIR GOVERNMENT TO CHANGE ITS POLICIES TOWARD NICARAGUA. IT'S THE ONLY WAY OUT.") REPORTS ON DANIEL ORTEGA'S "MOST UNREVOLUTIONARY CAMPAIGN SWING AROUND THE US LAST WEEK... TO COUNTER WHAT HE CALLED THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION'S 'DISINFORMATION' EFFORT AGAINST HIS GOVERNMENT."

TALKING OF HIS MEETINGS IN LOS ANGELES, OMANG SAYS, "ORTEGA'S STUMPING STYLE ODDLY RESEMBLED THAT OF HIS ADVERSARY, SECSTATE GEORGE P. SHULTZ. ORTEGA MADE THE POINTS HE CAME TO MAKE IN AN OFF-THE-CUFF, LOW-DRONED VERSION OF WHAT ANY CAMPAIGN VETERAN WOULD CALL 'THE SPEECH.' NEVERTHELESS, AS WITH SHULTZ, EVERY AUDIENCE WAS RAPT BECAUSE OF WHO ORTEGA IS." SHE BELIEVES ORTEGA'S

TRANSFORMATION FROM A "UNIFORMED, PODIUM-POUNDING COMANDANTE..." IS A DELIBERATE PART OF "A DEADLY SERIOUS CONTINENT-WIDE MEDIA BLITZ DESIGNED TO HUMANIZE NICARAGUA'S LEFTIST SANDINISTA GOVERNMENT TO US VOTERS."

ON A NINE-DAY TOUR ORTEGA, HIS WIFE, AND FONMIN D'ESCOTO HAVE VISITED NEW YORK, LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, AND BOSTON, AND WILL FINISH TUESDAY NIGHT IN ATLANTA. IT WILL BE FOLLOWED THIS WEEK AND NEXT BY THE "NATIONAL TOWN MEETING ON CENTRAL AMERICA," A SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS BY A

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GROUP SPONSORED BY THE COMMITTEE OF CONCERN FOR CENTRAL AMERICA. "ALL THIS," OMANG WRITES, "HAS BEEN TIMED TO COINCIDE NOT ONLY WITH THE PEAK OF THE US PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN BUT WITH CRUCIAL VOTES THIS WEEK IN CONGRESS ON PRES. REAGAN'S AID PROGRAM TO ANTI-SANDINISTA REBELS."

NICARAGUA: ROBERT S. LEIKEN OP-ED, P. 19 ("SAVING NICARAGUA FROM CIVIL WAR") SAYS "OUR BEST HOPE TO AVOID REGIONAL WAR AND A NATIONAL BLOOD BATH WOULD BE A SUSPEND A DECISION ON AID TO THE CONTRAS UNTIL AFTER THE NICARAGUAN ELECTIONS." THE SENATE-HOUSE DEADLOCK COULD BE BROKEN BY PUTTING OFF CONSIDERATION OF CONTRA MONEY UNTIL THE END OF JANUARY, WHEN THE RESULTS OF THE CONTADORA EFFORTS AND OF OUR OWN ELECTIONS WILL BE KNOWN. "BY SUSPENDING FUNDING, THE US WOULD SEND A POSITIVE BIPARTISAN SIGNAL IN FAVOR OF DEMOCRACY AND NONINTERVENTION. AMERICA WOULD BE SUPPORTING A PEACE PROCESS WITHOUT REMOVING INCENTIVES FOR THE SANDINISTAS TO COME TO TERMS WITH THEIR DOMESTIC OPPOSITION."

LEIKEN CONCLUDES, "THERE ARE POWERFUL MORAL AND LEGAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST USING SUCH ASSISTANCE AS AN INSTRUMENT OF AMERICAN POLICY. BUT NOW THAT THE CONTRAS ARE A REALITY WE SHOULD CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHEN AND HOW TO TERMINATE FUNDING FOR THEM. NOT ONLY DOMESTIC SOBRIETY BUT ALSO THE FATE OF CENTRAL AMERICA DEMAND DELIBERATION, NOT HASTE."

CUBA: P. 24 NOTE ("CUBAN EXPERTS ARRIVE IN BURKINA FASSO") NOTES CUBAN HOUSING AND MINING EXPERTS IN OUAGADOUGOU, BURKINA FASSO.

GRENADA: SAME COLUMN ("GRENADIAN URGES US TROOPS TO

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STAY") NOTES BLAIZE STATEMENTS.

-- (MONDAY, 10/8) WASHINGTON POST --

EL SALVADOR: P. 35 BRIEF ("NAPALM IN EL SALVADOR") NOTES  
VIDES CASANOVA ON NAPALM STOCKS.

BOLIVIA: SAME COLUMN ("UNIONS ASSAIL BOLIVIAN LEADER")  
REPORTS A TRADE-UNION CHARGE OF "OFFICIAL INCOMPETENCE" IN  
THE GOVERNMENT, AS A CABINET RESHUFFLE WAS EXPECTED. "IN  
A HARSHLY WORDED STATEMENT, THE COMMUNIST-LED WORKERS  
CONFEDERATION ACCUSED PRES. HERNAN SILES ZUAZO OF  
UNDERMINING THE STABILITY OF HIS ADMINISTRATION THROUGH  
'INCOHERENCE AND VACILLATIONS.'"

-- (SATURDAY, 10/6) WASHINGTON POST --

MEXICO: ROBERT J. MCCARTNEY, P. 12 FROM SAN JOSE  
MIAHUATLAN, PUEBLA, ("TOWN'S 20 ASSASSINATIONS IN 4 YEARS  
SHOW ROUGH EDGE OF MEXICAN POLITICS") WRITES ON POLITICAL  
VIOLENCE IN THIS TOWN THREE HOURS SOUTH OF MEXICO CITY.

CONTADORA: DON OBERDORFER, SAME PAGE FROM NEW YORK  
("SHULTZ, FOREIGN MINISTERS DISCUSS CONTADORA TREATY")  
REPORTS HONDURAN FONMIN PAZ BARNICA'S STATEMENT THAT "A  
SHORT AND URGENT PERIOD OF NEGOTIATION" IS NEEDED TO  
MODIFY THE DRAFT CONTADORA AGREEMENT TO MEET CENTRAL  
AMERICAN APPROVAL. HE MADE THE STATEMENT AFTER MEETING,  
TOGETHER WITH THE MINISTERS OF COSTA RICA, EL SALVADOR AND  
GUATEMALA, WITH SECSTATE SHULTZ.

"NEITHER SHULTZ NOR PAZ BARNICA SPELLED OUT WHAT PROCESS  
COULD BE FOLLOWED TO MAKE THE PROPOSED TREATY MORE  
PRECISE. PAZ BARNICA INDICATED, THOUGH, THAT NEGOTIATIONS  
INVOLVING ALL FIVE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING  
NICARAGUA, WOULD BE NECESSARY AFTER THE OCT. 15 DEADLINE  
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FOR COMMENTS BY NATIONS INVOLVED." PAZ BARNICA HAD DOUBTS  
ABOUT NICARAGUAN AGREEMENT, SAYING, "NICARAGUA EXPRESSED  
ITS WILLINGNESS TO SIGN FOR PROPAGANDA ENDS."

SHULTZ GAVE REPORTERS THE US OBJECTIONS TO THE DRAFT,  
WHILE MAINTAINING THAT THE US CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE  
CONTADORA TREATY AND PROCESS. HE SAID THAT UNDER THE  
DRAFT, "THERE WOULD BE VIRTUALLY A CESSATION OF SECURITY  
ASSISTANCE TO, SAY, EL SALVADOR WHEREAS THERE WOULDN'T BE  
A SINGLE RUSSIAN OR CUBAN MILITARY SO-CALLED ADVISER LEAVE  
NICARAGUA. AND THE PERIOD FOR NEGOTIATING THAT IS SET AT  
90 DAYS WITH EXTENSIONS OF TIME EXPECTED ...KIND OF AN

OPEN-ENDED PROPOSITION."

EL SALVADOR: MCCARTNEY, SAME PAGE FROM MEXICO CITY ("SALVADORAN REBELS ANNOUNCE EXTENSIVE PRISONER EXCHANGE") REPORTS THE EXCHANGE. IN A CONFERENCE, REBEL LEADERS WERE GRILLED ON THEIR ATTEMPTS TO FORCE YOUTHS INTO THEIR RANKS. THEY MAINTAINED THAT "NOBODY WAS FORCED TO JOIN, ALTHOUGH THEY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME YOUTHS WERE HELD FOR A TIME TO PERSUADE THEM."

REBEL REPRESENTATIVE RUBEN ZAMORA SAID PRES. DUARTE HAD "REBUFFED SEVERAL ATTEMPTS BY THE REBELS TO SET A DATE TO BEGIN A DIALOGUE. 'HIS ANSWERS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN EVASIVE,' ZAMORA SAID. '(PRES.) REAGAN DOESN'T ALLOW DUARTE TO NEGOTIATE.'"

ARGENTINA: P. 15 BRIEF ("CIVILIAN COURT IN ARGENTINA TAKES OVER HUMAN RIGHTS TRIAL FROM MILITARY") REPORTS FEDERAL COURT OF APPEALS RULING, TAKING OVER THE TRIALS OF NINE FORMER JUNTA LEADERS.  
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PERU: SAME COLUMN ("PERU'S EMERGENCY MODIFIED") NOTES THE LIFTING OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN MOST OF THE COUNTRY, THOUGH IT IS BEING KEPT IN THE ANDEAN AREA "PLAGUED BY A GUERRILLA INSURGENCY."

-- (TUESDAY, 10/9) WALL STREET JOURNAL --

NICARAGUA: FRONT PAGE "WHAT'S NEWS--" NOTES WORLD COURT JURISDICTION HEARINGS.

EL SALVADOR: SAME COLUMN NOTES DUARTE'S OFFER TO MEET GUERRILLA LEADERS.

-- (MONDAY, 10/8) WALL STREET JOURNAL --

EL SALVADOR: "WHAT'S NEWS--" NOTES VIDES CASANOVA ON NAPALM BOMBS.

GRENADA: EDIT ("GRENADA RESCUE, PART II," P. 30) PRAISES GRENADA'S POLITICAL PROCESSES BUT CALLS THE ECONOMY "A SHAMBLES," BLAMING THIS ON HIGH TAXATION. USAID HAS BEEN PERSUADING THE GOVERNMENT TO LIFT SOME RESTRICTIONS ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT, BUT "THERE SEEMS TO BE LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT... FOR THE BROAD CHANGES NEEDED." THE "ONLY VISIBLE US POLICY" IS QUIET SUPPORT FOR HERBERT BLAIZE'S NEW NATIONAL PARTY IN THE DEC. ELECTIONS, BUT HE "PROMISES LITTLE CHANGE FROM THE HIGH TAX STATUS QUO."

"AN EFFECTIVE AND NON-INTRUSIVE POLICY... WOULD BE TO TRUST DEMOCRACY TO WORK WITHOUT PRESSURE BUT USE OUR AID TO ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC-GROWTH POLICIES. HAVING MADE GRENADA

SAFE FOR DEMOCRACY, THE US MIGHT HELP MAKE IT SAFE FOR INDIVIDUAL ENTERPRISE."

NICARAGUA/ICJ: UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA LAW PROFESSOR AND UNCLASSIFIED

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SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR THE US IN THE NICARAGUAN CASE, JOHN NORTON MOORE OP-ED, P. 30 ("NICARAGUAN INJUSTICE AT THE WORLD COURT"; BOXED QUOTE: "WE HAVE ESSENTIALLY THE SAME OBLIGATION UNDER THE RIO TREATY TO DEFEND EL SALVADOR AS WE WOULD UNDER NATO IN THE EVENT OF AN ATTACK ON CANADA OR BRITAIN") SUPPORTS THE US WORLD COURT POSITION, CONCENTRATING ON THE SALVADORAN DECLARATION, CONCLUDING THAT "...IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT THE COURT LACKS JURISDICTION QUITE APART FROM THE US'S LETTER OF APRIL 6."

"AS ONE WHO RECENTLY WITNESSED THE FREE AND OPEN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN EL SALVADOR, I COULD NOT HELP BUT BE IMPRESSED BY THE COURAGE OF THE PEOPLE OF THAT NATION IN THEIR DETERMINATION TO BUILD AND DEFEND DEMOCRACY... I CAN IMAGINE NO GREATER PERVERSION OF THE RULE OF LAW AND THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF THE COURT THAN TO PERMIT NICARAGUA, THE NATION ENGAGED IN THAT CONTINUING ARMED ATTACK, TO INVOKE THE PRESTIGE OF THE COURT IN AN ORWELLIAN EFFORT TO INHIBIT A LAWFUL DEFENSIVE RESPONSE."

-- (TUESDAY, 10/9) USA TODAY --

MEXICO: "WORLD" BRIEF, P. 5 ("RETURNED INMATES CLAIM TORTURE") NOTES STATEMENTS FROM AMERICANS RETURNED UNDER THE PRISONER-EXCHANGE TREATY.

EL SALVADOR: ("SALVADOR'S DUARTE CALLS FOR PEACE TALKS," SAME PAGE) REPORTS UN ADDRESS.

NICARAGUA: SAME PAGE BOX FROM THE HAGUE ("NICARAGUA RULING DELAYED") NOTES POSTPONEMENT OF DECISION ON THE COMPLAINT.

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-- (MONDAY, 10/8) BALTIMORE SUN -

ARGENTINA: FRONT PAGE SPECIAL FROM GEORGE HATCH, BUENOS AIRES ("SURVIVAL IS AIM FOR ARGENTINES AS PRICES JUMP") REPORTS ON THE EFFECTS OF INFLATION.

-- (TUESDAY, 10/9) CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR --

EL SALVADOR: "NEWS IN BRIEF," P. 2 NOTES: ("SALVADOR'S

DUARTE INVITES REBELS FOR OCT. 15 TALK") AND ("DEFENSE CHIEF SAYS SALVADOR HAS NAPALM BUT HASN'T USED IT")

NICARAGUA: SAME COLUMN ("SANDINISTA LEADER MEETS CELEBRITIES, ENDS US TOUR") REPORTS DANIEL ORTEGA'S CALIFORNIA TOUR.

MEXICO: CAMILLE GROSDIDIER FEATURE, P. 13 ("MEXICO TRIES TO EASE PRESSURE ON BIG CITIES; NEW PLAN WOULD SHIFT PEOPLE FROM CROWDED URBAN AREAS TO COUNTRYSIDE") REPORTS ON EFFORTS TO KEEP PEASANTS ON THEIR FARMS AND "REDESTRIBUTING POPULATION GROWTH TO MEDIUM-SIZED CITIES TO CHECK MEXICO'S UNRULY URBANIZATION."

-- (TUESDAY, 10/9) WASHINGTON TIMES --

EL SALVADOR: CHARLES V. FLOWERS, FRONT PAGE ("DUARTE OFFERS TALKS TO REBELS IN EL SALVADOR") REPORTS THE DUARTE UN SPEECH.

ARGENTINA: P. 5 BRIEF ("CARTER VISITING ARGENTINA") NOTES CARTER LATIN AMERICAN TOUR.

ARGENTINA: TIMOTHY O'LEARY, SAME PAGE FROM BUENOS AIRES ("ARGENTINE LABOR SKEPTICAL ABOUT NEW WAGE POLICY") SAYS ECONOMY MINISTER GRINSPUN WILL MEET TODAY WITH LABOR

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LEADERS TO TALK ABOUT GOVERNMENT WAGE POLICY IN LIGHT OF A 27.5 PCT SEPTEMBER INFLATION RATE.

NICARAGUA: THOMAS D. SULLIVAN, P. 6 ("TEACHER JAILED BY SANDINISTAS PLEADS FOR CONTINUED U.S. AID") INTERVIEWS TEACHER WHO FLED NICARAGUA, CALLS FOR US SUPPORT FOR NICARAGUAN REBELS.

-- (MONDAY, 10/8) WASHINGTON TIMES --

EL SALVADOR: ED ROGERS, P. 3 ("AID TO EL SALVADOR VITAL, GERALD FORD TELLS VOA LISTENERS") REPORTS FORMER PRES. FORD'S APPEARANCE ON A VOA "CALL-IN" PROGRAM.

NICARAGUA: P. 5 BRIEF ("SANDINISTAS TO PARDON PRIEST") NOTES RECOMMENDATION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF A PARDON FOR THE REV. LUIS AMADO PENA, ACCUSED OF REBEL ACTIVITIES.

HONDURAS/EL SALVADOR: JAY MALLIN SR, P. 6 FROM TEGUCIGALPA ("HONDURAN TRAINING CENTER'S FUTURE UNCERTAIN") REPORTS ON CONTINUING RMTN NEGOTIATIONS. "THE

US IS REPORTED TO HAVE OFFERED TO 'REGIONALIZE' THE CENTER  
MORE BY BRINGING IN PARTS OF THE SCHOOL OF THE AMERICAS

THAT RECENTLY WAS CLOSED IN PANAMA."

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