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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: GAO Field Review

REFERENCE: State Cable 193805 dated 29 September 1973

1. The reference cable alerts various embassies in Latin America of field review by GAO auditors of U. S. efforts to stop the flow of illicit drugs entering the United States from Latin America. I contacted Mr. Kenneth Fasick, Director of the International Division, GAO, phone: 129-4515 [redacted]

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[redacted] Mr. Fasick agreed that this approach would be most helpful. Mr. Fasick stated that he would have someone call me back and arrange a meeting. I received a call from a Mr. Abston who identified himself as being in charge of the Field Review referred to in the above cable and could be reached on 128-6519 (It should be noted that this is a BNDD telephone number.).

2. I talked with [redacted] C/NARCOG, and suggested that he contact Mr. Abston direct [redacted] and also ask Mr. Abston to instruct his team that in the event they have questions about Agency operations in the field that they defer to their return to Washington and ask for explanation here rather than raising the issues in the field. [redacted] agreed with this approach and said that he would contact Mr. Abston.

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