THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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National Intelligence Officers

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH   : Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

FROM   : Acting NIO for Latin America

SUBJECT   : SCC Meeting on Central America

      1. Action Requested: At the SCC meeting currently scheduled
for 1500-1545 hours on 20 July 1979, you may be asked to provide the
latest information on the situation in Nicaragua as well as your assess-
ment of the impact of events on neighboring countries in Central America.
I anticipate that Ambassadors Bowdler and Pezzullo, who were both
intimately involved in negotiating the transition from Somoza to the
Junta, will be present at the meeting. The Chairman may well turn to
them for this information.

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      2. The Office of Political Analysis will prepare a paper containing
the most recent information on the situation in Nicaragua, as well as a
separate paper on the impact of events on neighboring countries of
Central America. These papers will be inserted in the notebook tomorrow
morning as Tab A.

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      3. Tab B contains the Agenda for the SCC meeting on Central
America together with associated papers provided by the National Security
Council.

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      4. The meeting was apparently prompted by a memorandum for the
Secretary of Defense dated 25 June 1979 on limiting the consequences of
a Sandinista victory. This memorandum appears as Tab C.

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      5. A memorandum from Dr. Brzezinski dated 13 June 1979 reports
the President's approval of the Summary of Conclusions of the PRC meeting
on Central America. This memorandum and the Summary of Conclusions
appear as Tab D in the notebook.

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6. A paper entitled "Shoring Up the Northern Tier", which apparently originated in the Department of Defense, and a cable on the same topic will be found in Tab E.

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