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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : [Redacted]  
National Intelligence Officer for Warning

SUBJECT : NIO Monthly Warning Assessments: June

- 1. The reports on the NIO warning meetings are attached.
- 2. Comments on warning situations.



b. USSR:

(1) Brezhnev's political authority has declined, increasing his vulnerability to pressure for early retirement. Competition between Chernenko and Andropov could bring succession maneuvering to a head in the next few months, possibly while Brezhnev is away on vacation. If Brezhnev's physical condition has suffered another setback, this might impair both his ability to resist pressure to retire and to control the succession process.

c. El Salvador-Nicaragua:

(1) The Sandinista regime may view the coordinated Salvadoran-Honduran military operation against the insurgents in northern Morazan as a potentially serious

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threat that requires a strong response. The apparent growth in the hard-liners' influence in Managua increases the chances for such a reaction. The regime, for example, may order attacks on anti-Sandinista camps in Honduras.

(2) Growing anti-Sandinista activity may also produce a significant hardening in Sandinista policy toward El Salvador and Honduras. The regime may soon proclaim a "Socialist Republic" as a means of attracting greater Soviet and Cuban assistance.

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e. Somalia:

(1) President Siad's position is eroding in the face of discontent in the military, tribal unrest, and an economic crisis. His precarious regime may be ousted in the next three months.

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