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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence   25X1

VIA: Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM: John L. Helgerson
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SUBJECT: Intelligence Assessment for The Vice President

Over the last year Vice President Bush has asked us for a number of
updates on the status of rightwing terrorist activity in El Salvador.
As a result, I believe we should draw his attention to this latest DDI
study on the subject. It will bring him up to date on the overall trends,
and remind him that we are following the problem closely.   25X1

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Attachment:
   Letter to The Vice President

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The Vice President
The White House
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Dear Mr. Vice President:

I would like to draw your attention to the Agency's latest assessment on rightist violence in El Salvador. I know the problem of controlling rightwing terrorism in that country has been of particular interest to you for some time. This study documents the considerable progress that has been made since your visit to San Salvador in December 1983.

The other, more worrisome side of the story is that rightwing extremist elements remain capable and probably willing to renew their terrorist activities as circumstances permit. We will continue to monitor closely the political tension between the Duarte administration and the rightist opposition as we suspect events this year may push the levels of violence upward somewhat. Let me know if you have any specific questions regarding this assessment or the situation in general.

Respectfully yours,

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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