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14 July

The following information was transmitted from Ambassador Pourifoy to Mr. Wisner on 14 July:

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"I had a discussion with Col. CASTILLO Armas last night about the ship SPRINGJORD. I informed him that we are anxious to have this problem settled as soon as possible by the Guatemalan Government without any fanfare.

It has been reported that the British Government will file a claim for £ 160,000, which does not include the cost of the cargo. CASTILLO Armas wanted to know if we could help defray this cost. I informed him I thought there was a possibility. However, I informed him that when the British Minister called on him, I wanted him to settle the details as soon as possible, after which I would see what could be done on our part.

I will report further developments."

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