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YESTERDAY PRESENTED TO ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER PEREZ ALONSO SPANISH TEXT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING RE IUPF LOGISTICAL SUPPORT, URGING THAT NICARAGUAN CONTINGENT COMMANDER BE AUTHORIZED SIGN. AT SOCIAL FUNCTION LATER IN DAY HE SAID HE HAD STUDIED IT AND ADMIRERD ITS CLARITY AND SIMPLICITY. HE WOULD TAKE UP WITH PRESIDENT SCHICK WHO WOULD MAKE DECISION, PROBABLY IN CONSULTATION WITH GENERAL SOMOZA.

SINCE PEREZ ALONSO DID NOT EXPRESS ANY PREOCCUPATIONS RE PARAGRAPHS THREE TO FIVE OF MEMORANDUM IT WAS NOT NECESSARY PROVIDE ASSURANCES TO HIM RE ABSORPTION OF COSTS BY US. IT IS HOWEVER LIKELY THAT WE SHALL HAVE TO PROVIDE THEM IN THE END. ONLY FEW DAYS AGO PRESIDENT IN CONNECTION OUR MEMORANDUM ON CONTINUING OAS DR PRESENCE INDICATED NERVOUSNESS OVER POSSIBILITY OF GON HAVING TO MAKE FURTHER FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OAS OPERATION (EMBTEL 98). GENERAL SOMOZA WOULD PROBABLY CONSIDER ADDITIONAL NICARAGUAN FINANCIAL OUTLAY FOR ITS PARTICIPATION IN IAPF A LIABILITY IN HIS CURRENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

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