Translation of three letters recieved from Teosinte, October 1992

Teosinte, October 11, 1992

Dear and well-remembered brothers and sisters of Arlington
From our community and in the name of everyone we greet you and embrace you fondly, wishing with all our hearts that you are well in health and work.

You don't know how happy we were to see Dean again, since we knew he would bring news of you.

I'd like to tell you a little about our community

- about the farm work (corn): the harvest has been pretty good In the coming months it will be brought in from the fields to the community.
- in the school the vacation is coming. The first week of November they will be having the final exams and they will get out the 15th of that month.
- In health there are 4 women working. The little laboratory has already started; they are doing tests of feces, etc.
- about the work of the women; the day care is maintained with 4 women and they have some 20 children daily. Also, there is the embroidery workshop with 10 women, and two stores where they sell basic necessities with 5 women working. And a small restaurant. We have plans for a clothing shop and a bakery.

That's how the community is. We remember you and see your work reflected in the development of our community.

About the overall situation of the country we'll tell you a little. There are some 25 accords which the government does not want to comply with and this is a problem; the people are the ones who will suffer. On the other hand the FMLN has demobilized 40% of its troops. In exchange, the government promised to demobilize its elite troops; but it seems that it hasn't done so. About the land, it is a problem: the government has not transferred even one acre [manzana] of land to the ex-combatants of the FMLN nor to the repopulators. On the question of land there is a great and dangerous obstructionism.

The government has sent governmental institutions to the communities to offer things which they will never deliver.

We, as an organized community, are continuing our struggle to defend the accords until out country has peace with social justice.

I also want to tell you to make denunciations there because it is also known that the US government is still financing the armed forces and this now makes no sense.

On another subject, I want to ask you a favor: that you say hello to all the brothers and sisters of solidarity in Arlington, to those I met on my visit, to the family who hosted us, many hugs to their two children. Also to the members of the town council of your city.