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SUBJECT: CONTADORA AT THE OAS

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2. AMBASSADOR CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER AFTERNOON NOVEMBER TWENTY-EIGHT TO PURSUE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED RETTEL.
3. PAZ BARNICA EXPRESSED GREAT SATISFACTION OVER MEETING WHICH CORE FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS HELD WITH SECRETARY SHULTZ DURING COURSE OF OASGA PROCEEDINGS. PAZ ALSO SAID THAT HE FELT THAT COLLABORATION BETWEEN HIMSELF, CHAVEZ MENA, AND COSTA RICAN VICE-FOREIGN MINISTER PETERS HAD BEEN EXCELLENT. GUATEMALANS, HOWEVER, WERE ANOTHER STORY AND PAZ FELT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN CO-OPTED BY THE MEXICANS. FOR EXAMPLE, WHILE IT WAS EASY FOR THE SALVADORANS, COSTA RICANS, AND HONDURANS TO AGREE THAT THEY DID NOT RPT NOT WISH TO RECEIVE ANY TREATY TEXTS FROM THE CONTADORA FOUR, GUATEMALAN FOREIGN MINISTER ANDRADE TOO, THE EXACT OPPOSITE TAC AND ADVOCATED ELICITING THE CONTADORA TEXTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
4. PAZ WAS PARTICULARLY DOWN ON THE MEXICANS.

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5. AS FOR FORTHCOMING CONTADORA MEETINGS AT TECHNICAL AND FOREIGN MINISTER LEVEL, PAZ SAID THAT HONDURAN TACTIC CONTINUED TO BE ONE OF SEEKING FORMATION OF WORKING GROUPS AND REJECTION OF ANY TEXTS PREPARED BY CONTADORA FOUR. QUOTE I WON'T EVEN READ A BILATERAL PROTOCOL UNQUOTE, PAZ EXCLAIMED.

6. PAZ IS LEAVING FOR WASHINGTON ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE TO ACCOMPANY HONDURAN DELEGATION HEADED BY PRESIDENCY MINISTER CARLOS FLORES. HE WILL THEN GO TO ARGENTINA FOR ALFONSIN INAUGURAL, FOLLOWED BY ATTENDANCE AT CONTADORA FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IN PANAMA ON THE FIFTEENTH AND SIXTEENTH OF DECEMBER. PAZ DID NOT MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT ANOTHER CONTADORA MEETING IN EARLY JANUARY. NEGROPONTE

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