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Briefing on Guatemalan [REDACTED] for HPSCI Staff

On 29 March [REDACTED] HPSCI staff, received a briefing on the Alpirez/Bamaca case from Agency representatives [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] DO/LA, and [REDACTED], DI/ALA. Also in attendance for the briefing were Gardner Peckham, Special Assistant for Speaker Newt Gingrich on National Security and Intelligence Issues, and Brett O'Brien, Special Assistant for Minority Leader Gephardt on Defense and Foreign Policy.

[REDACTED] began the briefing by reviewing the chronology of the Agency's relationship with Julio Roberto Alpirez [REDACTED]. The briefers also addressed the allegations that Alpirez was involved with the deaths of Devine and Bamaca and outlined the intelligence, some of it conflicting, which we obtained on both cases.

The staffers present focused on a number of issues surrounding the Alpirez case, especially the fact that the Committee was not informed in October 1991 of a report that Alpirez was personally involved in the Devine murder. Other areas of concern were:

[REDACTED] and what was told to Jennifer Harbury about recent information on the Bamaca case, and by whom.

Follow Up Actions: Provide chronology of events regarding the case/ [REDACTED]

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