



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Remarks  
To 13: Please prepare response for DCI signature drawing the Congressman's attention to the fact that CIA is not in a position to determine what activity the NSC is involved in, nor what its legal justification might be.



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August 20, 1985

Honorable William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

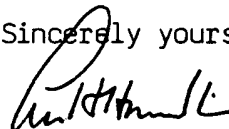
Recent press accounts of the alleged activities by the National Security Council regarding the contras in Nicaragua raise some questions.

If the NSC did engage in actions that supported the military activity of the contras, I am curious about what actions were taken by the NSC to support the activities of the contras during the period after the enactment of the Boland amendment and before its recent modification.

I would like to receive a full report on the kinds of activities regarding the contras that the NSC carried out and what the legal justification is for such actions given the legislative prohibitions that existed last year and earlier this year.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



Lee H. Hamilton  
Chairman



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