

On the issue of investigations into the murders of six U.S. citizens and the disappearance of John Sullivan:

- We have no [REDACTED] on the investigations of the murders of four U.S. churchwomen or the two U.S. land reform advisers. Since the last certification, the five National Guardsmen charged with killing the churchwomen have been remanded to civilian authorities and are awaiting trial. Recent progress by the new government commission investigating the American Institute for Free Labor Development murders also raises the prospects for a successful conclusion of that case. New witnesses have come forward, and evidence is building which more clearly implicates known former security force personnel and wealthy civilians in the crime.

- The disappearance of Mr. John Sullivan, a free-lance reporter on assignment for a U.S. magazine, remains a mystery. Although [REDACTED] reports indicate the continued awareness of the Salvadoran authorities about U.S. interest in the case, no new leads have developed. We have no [REDACTED] that would shed any light on Mr. Sullivan's disappearance.

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