

31 January 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]

FROM: [redacted]

Chief, Honduras Working Group

SUBJECT: Honduras

As you may be aware, in June 1995 the EXDIR established the DO/DI Honduras Working Group (HWG) to review documents and prepare a briefing for Congress and other US policymakers concerning allegations of human rights abuses committed by Honduran officials. We are working to finish our report, but there are still a few gaps that even an extensive review of files failed to fill in. Therefore, the EXDIR has asked the HWG to work with its legal adviser to write questions that address these gaps. We request your assistance in answering the attached questions, which are divided into four key areas. An additional area of questions related to [redacted]

[redacted] is included with the questions sent to officers who were [redacted] in the chain of command. If you have no information, or it is not applicable, please indicate. Please key your responses to the specific question and submit your responses to the HWG, [redacted] by close of business Tuesday, 6 February 1996. I appreciate your assistance. [redacted]

[redacted]
Chief, Honduran Working Group and
Director, Current Production and Analytic Support

Attachment

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My responses are keyed to your questions:

Section I

- A. I have reported everything I know about the death of Reyes Mata to the DO/DI Honduras Working Group (HWG).
- B. I don't know anything about an officer named Vasquez connected to the Olancho incident.
- C. [redacted] The first time I heard the name Carney was via the Baltimore Sun articles.
- D. I have reported to the DO/DI Working Group what [redacted] told me about the incident. [redacted]
- E. I do not know.
- F. I do not know.

Section II

- A. [redacted] we would receive the Human Rights Reports from the political section and it would be reviewed by [redacted] assigned [redacted] I read the reports twice while I was
- B. My understanding is that the report would be prepared by the Political Section. That's all I know.
- C. I do not know.
- D. The two reports which I read accurately reflected the human rights situation in Honduras from 1993 to 1995.

Section III

- A. [redacted]
- B. [redacted]
- C. [redacted]

Section IV

- A. [redacted] I never met with any congressional delegations. As far as human rights reporting [redacted] we were always very thorough in our reporting.
- B. I do not recall any such incidents.

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Section IV

A. [redacted]

B. [redacted]

C. [redacted] there were a number of allegations of past (1980) abuses against the Honduran military. They were all reviewed by the political section [redacted] As far as I know all of them turned out to be just allegations.--

D. I do not know of any abuses or human rights incidents [redacted] What I know about the past is what I read in the Baltimore Sun articles and what [redacted] reported to me and I reported to HQS.

E. I know that the ELACH preceded the 316, but that's all I know.

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