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Alan Raul

FROM: ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.
Counsel to the President

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Tuesday, September 22, 1987 -- A-7

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Peace Plan On U.S. Firing Line Today

A controversial peace plan for Central America runs a gauntlet of friends and foes today in Washington.

Oscar Arias Sanchez, president of neutral Costa Rica and the plan's architect, meets with Congress, where many defenders say the pact can prevent deeper U.S. military involvement in the region's bloody insurgencies.

But first Arias meets with President Reagan, who wants to scuttle it: He says it's soft on pro-Marxist Nicaragua. (L.A. Jolidon, USA Today, A1)

CRITIC OF CONTRAS WAS 'TERRORIST THREAT,' NORTH TOLD PRESIDENT

President Reagan was told in a secret memo written by Oliver North last year that Jack Terrell, a self-described mercenary who had become a vocal critic of the Nicaraguan contras, was a "terrorist threat" under investigation by the FBI, according to documents released by the congressional Iran-contra panels.

The documents have added fuel to allegations by Administration critics that North...used the FBI to discredit opponents of Reagan's contra program. Sources said congressional Iran-contra investigators so far have not been able to substantiate such charges.

(David Hoffman & Joe Pichirallo, Washington Post, A6)

U.S. TOLD FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION ENHANCED

Soviet authorities have told the Reagan Administration that they plan to repeal a law which makes defamation of the Soviet system a crime, according to a top State Department official.

The official also said the Soviets confirmed, during last week's high-level talks, that they plan to repeal certain articles in the penal code limiting religious freedom and to release prisoners convicted under those statutes.

At the same time, the Soviets pressed the American side about aspects of the U.S. system of justice, including laws in certain states that permit the death sentence against persons for crimes they committed as minors.

(George Gedda, AP)

SENATE CONSERVATIVES TO LAUNCH COUNTERATTACK IN ABM STRUGGLE

Senate conservatives plan to introduce legislation this week calling on President Reagan to withdraw from the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty if he finds that the pact has jeopardized U.S. security.

The move represents an attempt to scuttle a provision in the \$303 billion defense authorization bill for fiscal 1988 that would force the Administration to abide by the so-called "narrow" interpretation of the ABM treaty, congressional sources said.

Reagan has threatened to veto the defense bill if it reaches his desk with language forcing his Administration to abide by the narrow treaty interpretation in testing the SDI.

(Bill Gertz & Warren Stobel, Washington Post, A5)

U.S. MAY DROP MAVERICK MISSILES FROM SAUDI ARMS-SALE PROPOSAL

The Reagan Administration, facing stiff congressional resistance to its planned \$1 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia, tentatively is offering to withdraw 1,600 Maverick anti-tank missiles from the package in hopes of making the deal more palatable to critics.

Informed sources said that the Administration is trying to determine whether congressional concern about threats to Israel's security will be assuaged if President Reagan delays the \$360 million Maverick sale indefinitely.

The sources stressed, however, that the idea is being discussed informally and that a decision has not been made.

(John Goshko, Washington Post, A8)

DEMOCRATS ACCUSE REAGAN OF UNDERCUTTING PEACE PLAN

Almost half the Democratic members of the House sharply accused President Reagan of undercutting the Central American peace plan and urged him to abandon his continued quest for additional aid to the Nicaraguan contras.

In a letter to the President signed by 121 members of the House, the Democratic lawmakers said, "It is difficult...to escape the conclusion that you and your Administration are attempting to scuttle the Central American peace plan in order to justify continued funding for the contras."

(Tom Kenworthy, Washington Post, A10)

COSTA RICAN TO BRING PEACE CRUSADE TO WASHINGTON

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica -- This country's forceful young president, who will meet in Washington [today] with President Reagan, is doing what no other Central American leader has been able to do since the Reagan Administration began financing the counterrevolutionary war against Nicaragua's leftist government in 1981.

To the chagrin of many Administration officials, 46-year-old President Oscar Arias Sanchez has staked out a position opposing both the Sandinista government in Managua and the U.S.-backed rebels fighting them, and he has drawn all the region's other governments toward that position.

(Julia Preston, Washington Post, A15)

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INFORMATION

May 28, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JOHN M. POINDEXTER *JP*
SUBJECT: Terrorist Threat: Terrell

PR N 45896

Issue

Anti-contra and anti-U.S. activities by U.S. citizen, Jack Terrell.

Background

Several months ago, a U.S. citizen named Jack Terrell became an active participant in the disinformation/active measures campaign against the Nicaraguan Democratic Resistance. Terrell has appeared on various television "documentaries" alleging corruption, human rights abuses, drug running, arms smuggling, and assassination attempts by the resistance and their supporters. Terrell is also believed to be involved with various Congressional staffs in preparing for hearings and inquiries regarding the role of U.S. Government officials in illegally supporting the Nicaraguan resistance.

Terrell was first interviewed by the FBI on March 5, 1986, as a cooperating witness in a neutrality investigation concerning alleged activities of the Civilian Military Assistance (CMA) group -- including weapons and narcotics smuggling, plotting the assassination of the U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica, Lew Tamps, and bombing his embassy.



Discussion

The Operations Sub-Group (OSG) of the Terrorist Incident Working Group (TIWG) has made available to the FBI all information on Mr. Terrell from other U.S. Government agencies. Various government agencies -- Customs, Secret Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms -- have information on some of Terrell's activities and the FBI is currently consolidating this information for their investigation.

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The FBI reports that Terrell went to Miami, coincident with your visit on Wednesday. The FBI, in concert with the Secret Service, has Terrell under active surveillance [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The FBI has advised that the non-U.S. Government supporters of the Nicaraguan resistance have been particularly helpful in this investigation.

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It is important to note that Terrell has been a principal witness against supporters of the Nicaraguan resistance both in and outside the U.S. Government. Terrell's accusations have formed the basis of a civil law suit in the U.S. District Court in Miami and his charges are at the center of Senator Kerry's investigation in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Since it is important to protect the knowledge that Terrell is the subject of a criminal investigation, none of those with whom he has been in contact on the Hill have been advised.

Prepared by:
Oliver L. North

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Washington, D.C. 20535
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JULY 18, 1986

JACK TERRELL

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Terrell was first interviewed by the FBI on March 5, 1986, because he was described by a witness cooperating in a neutrality investigation as knowledgeable on the matter. The investigation concerned alleged activities of the Civilian Military Assistance (CMA) including smuggling weapons from south Florida into Central America on behalf of the "Contra" guerrillas, smuggling narcotics, plotting the assassination of the U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica and discussing bombing the U.S. Embassy in Costa Rica. Some of the subjects of the investigation were known to have recruited, trained and transported over a dozen people from south Florida to fight with the Anti-Sandinista "Contra" guerrillas in the Nicaragua-Costa Rica border area.

At the time he was interviewed, Terrell acknowledged that he was aware of the plot to assassinate U.S. Ambassador Tams and the CMA's plan to attack embassies. Although his knowledge of the facts relating to the embassy attacks varied from other information known to the FBI, he advised that they were planned to implicate the Sandinistas. He also stated that it was his opinion that the activities of the CMA were being coordinated by the CIA.

The CIA advised the FBI that the subjects of the neutrality investigation, Rene Corbo (also spelled Corvo,) Steven P. Carr, Robert Thompson, Thomas Posey, and Jesus Garcia were not CIA assets.

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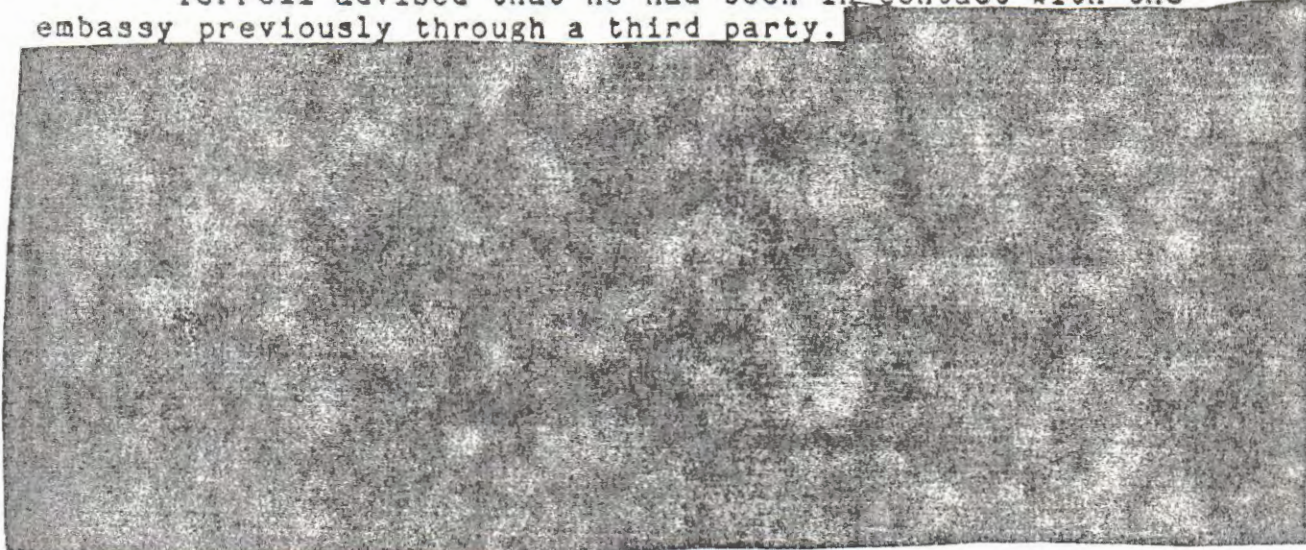


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On March 12, 1986, Terrell advised the FBI that he had been telephonically contacted on March 11, 1986, by Manuel Martin Cordero-Cuadra (hereinafter referred to as Cordero) of the Nicaraguan Embassy, Washington D.C. Cordero is the Minister/Counselor at the embassy. Without the instruction, coordination or knowledge of the FBI, Terrell recorded the conversation. It was apparent from the recording that Terrell was the recipient of the call from Cordero and was told a friend of Terrell's had asked Cordero to make the call. Cordero told Terrell that he had sent the information "down" but that "they" want more. Cordero implied that he had been asked to provide the additional information within four or five days, but as of that point no firm decision had been made. He hoped to have additional information within a week. Cordero also told Terrell that somebody else would talk to him at greater length, but was not certain who it would be. N 45899

Terrell told Cordero that he was planning to travel to Washington D.C and testify at a committee hearing. Because he would be testifying against the Contras, Terrell believed that it would be very "uncomfortable" for him in Washington D.C. after his testimony. Arrangements were made to have Terrell contact Cordero during the trip, and the call was concluded by Cordero telling Terrell that he would do what he could to hurry things "down there."

Terrell advised that he had been in contact with the embassy previously through a third party.



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