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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S# 8325584

Date SEP 7 1983

FOR: Mr. William P. Clark
National Security Council
The White House

REFERENCE:

TO: President Reagan FROM: Michael Hurley

DATE: 26 July 1983 SUBJECT: Supports Military

Maneuvers with Honduran Government

WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: 22 Aug 83 NSC ID# 156927

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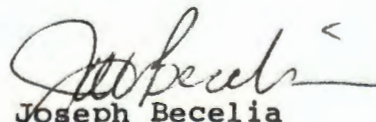
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3718 TOWNES FOREST
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SUBJECT: SUPPORTS MILITARY MANEUVERS WITH THE
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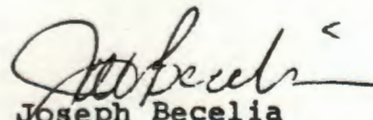
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