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FBI ATTN: JOHN GUIDO, OLIA

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SUBJECT: UNSUB(S); ASSASSINATION OF HECTOR ^XQUELI ^XCOLINDRES AND
GILDA ^XFLORES, JUTIAPA, GUATEMALA 01/12/90 FPC DO:BU 163-0-19810

RE: DDS CABLE TO MDC 01/30/90

FEB 21 1990

BY WAY OF BACKGROUND ON 01/12/90 SALVADORAN SOCIALIST LEADER
HECTOR QUELI AND GUATEMALAN ATTORNEY GILDA FLORES WERE
KIDNAPPED AT APPROXIMATELY 6:00 AM WHILE ENROUTE BY AUTOMOBILE
TO THE AIRPORT IN GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA. ON 01/12/90 BOTH
WERE FOUND DEAD NEAR THE SALVADORAN BORDER IN JUTIAPA,

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GUATEMALA 117 KILOMETERS FROM GUATEMALA CITY.

GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT POLICE AUTHORITIES, UPON LEARNING OF THE KIDNAPPING, RESPONDED AND BEGAN AN INVESTIGATION IN THE VICINITY OF THE ABDUCTION. WITNESSES IN THE AREA ADVISE THAT THREE (3) UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED, DRIVING A 4 DOOR BROWN COLORED AUTOMOBILE, NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED, PHYSICALLY ABDUCTED VICTIMS FROM GILDA FLORES' MERCEDES AND SHOVED BOTH INTO BROWN COLORED VEHICLE AND SPED OFF. NO WITNESSES DEVELOPED TO DATE CAN IDENTIFY ABDUCTORS AND NO LICENSE PLATE INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED. GILDA FLORES AUTOMOBILE WAS NOT CRIME SCENED. GUATEMALAN POLICE CONDUCTED A KIDNAPPING INVESTIGATION UNTIL BODIES LOCATED LATE ON 01/12/90.

ON 01/12/90 THE BODIES OF CAPTIONED VICTIMS WERE FOUND IN THE REAR OF A STOLEN TOYOTA PICKUP TRUCK. POLICE AUTHORITIES WERE CALLED TO THE SCENE OF THE CRIME AND CONDUCTED A CRIME SCENE SEARCH OF THE AREA AS WELL AS A NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION WHICH RESULTED IN NEGATIVE INFORMATION AS SAME PERTAINED TO SUBJECTS WHO LEFT THE PICKUP TRUCK AT THE SCENE. CASINGS FROM A .32 CALIBER BULLET WERE FOUND AND RETAINED AS EVIDENCE. THE BULLET CASINGS WERE NOT PRESERVED FOR FINGERPRINTS. CRIME SCENE WAS WELL VISITED BY PARAMEDICS, POLICE, AND ONLOOKERS. THE VEHICLE WAS NOT SEARCHED FOR HAIRS AND FIBERS AND WAS RELEASED TO THE OWNER.

THE TOYOTA PICKUP TRUCK WAS STOLEN AT GUNPOINT, FROM THE OWNER, DURING THE MORNING OF 01/12/90 IN GUATEMALA CITY, AFTER THE ABDUCTION OF CAPTIONED VICTIMS. THE OWNER OF THE PICKUP, A 60 YEAR OLD MAN, COULD ONLY DESCRIBE THE THIEF AS 30 TO 35 YEARS OF AGE, WITH A LOT OF HAIR, AND CARRYING A PISTOL. POLICE OFFICIALS DESCRIBED OWNER AS OLD AND SCARED AND STATED THAT HE DOES NOT RECALL OTHER FACTS.

AUTOPIES PERFORMED ON VICTIMS INDICATE BOTH VICTIMS WERE INJECTED WITH AN UNKNOWN SUBSTANCE, IN THE VEIN LOCATED AT THE NAP OF THE INNER ARM. A BULLET WAS REMOVED FROM THE SKULL OF HECTOR OQUELI. NO BULLET WAS FOUND IN THE SKULL OF VICTIM GILDA FLORES. (BULLET HAS BEEN RETAINED AS EVIDENCE)

TO DATE, NO SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AND SPECULATION IS THAT RIGHT WING ELEMENTS (GUATEMALAN OR FOREIGN) WERE INVOLVED IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

INITIALLY, THIS MATTER WAS NOT BEING TREATED AS SIGNIFICANT BY GUATEMALAN AUTHORITIES, HOWEVER BASED ON THE REACTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO THE KILLING OF OQUELI, AND U.S. EMBASSY PRESSURE, THE PRESIDENT OF GUATEMALA HAS PUBLICLY DENOUNCED THE KILLING AND FORMED AN INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THE INTERIOR MINISTER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL

POLICE, THE HEAD OF MILITARY INTELLIGENCE AND A HUMAN RIGHTS REPRESENTATIVE. AS SET UP, ALL POLICE AND MILITARY INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL ARE AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE COMMITTEE TO RUN OUT LEADS AND/OR INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER AT THE DIRECTION OF THE COMMITTEE. NO SPECIFIC INVESTIGATORS ARE ASSIGNED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

ON 01/29/90 DLAT MEXICO CITY ARRIVED IN GUATEMALA CITY AND MET WITH THE U.S. AMBASSADOR REGARDING THIS MATTER. U.S. AMBASSADOR AND POLITICAL COUNSELOR AS WELL AS ICITAP COORDINATOR BRIEFED DLAT ON CAPTIONED MATTER TO DATE. DLAT EXPLAINED FPC AS SAME PERTAINS TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

ON 01/29/90 DLAT AND ICITAP COORDINATOR MET WITH GUATEMALAN INTERIOR MINISTER CARLOS AGOSTO MORALES VILLATORO, AND DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL POLICE GIOVANNI VALERIO CARDENAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING CAPTIONED MATTER (BOTH ARE MEMBERS OF BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE DESCRIBED ABOVE).

CAPTIONED MATTER WAS REVIEWED IN GENERAL AND IN SOME CASES SPECIFICALLY AS SAME PERTAINED TO EVIDENCE COLLECTED. DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL POLICE WAS QUITE KNOWLEDGEABLE OF FACTS AND HAS OFFERED TO MAKE AVAILABLE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT TO DATE, WHICH INCLUDES CRIME SCENE PHOTOGRAPHS AUTOPSY RESULTS (VERY LIMITED),

AND INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED. VALERIO WILL ASK COURT IF EVIDENCE CAN BE RELEASED AND SENT TO FBI LABORATORY FOR EXAMINATION (BASED ON OFFER BY DLAT).

BASED ON BRIEFING GIVEN TO DLAT AND ICITAP COORDINATOR, THE INITIAL INVESTIGATION INCLUDED NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION AT THE SCENE OF THE ABDUCTION, AND A CRIME SCENE AT THE TIME OF THE DISCOVERY OF CAPTIONED VICTIMS ON 01/15/90, HOWEVER, EVIDENCE COLLECTED WAS NOT ADEQUATELY PROCESSED NOR THE SAME PRESERVED FOR FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION. IMPORTANCE OF HAIRS, FIBERS AND BLOOD SAMPLES AND THE PRESERVATION OF SAME WAS EXPLAINED, AS WAS THE IMPORTANCE OF EVIDENCE RETENTION IN THE FURTHERANCE OF IDENTIFYING SUSPECTS/SUBJECTS.

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DLAT EXPLAINED FBI ROLE IN FPC MATTERS AND BOTH THE INTERIOR MINISTER AND THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL POLICE WERE APPRECIATIVE OF SAME. FROM AN INVESTIGATIVE STANDPOINT, IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE COMMITTEE CONSIDER OFFERING A REWARD FOR INFORMATION ON CAPTIONED MATTER. OTHER INVESTIGATIVE SUGGESTIONS WERE MADE AS WELL BASED ON THE LACK OF SPECIFICS OBTAINED FROM WITNESSES. DLAT WILL SECURE EVIDENCE AND TRANSPORT SAME TO FBIHQ LABORATORY IF COURT AGREES TO RELEASE SAME FOR FORENSIC EXAMINATION.

IT IS NOTED THAT GUATEMALAN PRESIDENT HAS ALSO REQUESTED THAT VENEZUELA PROVIDE INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCES TO CAPTIONED MATTER (VENEZUELAN IN THE PAST, HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN TRAINING OF

GUATEMALAN POLICE IN VARIOUS POLICE TECHNIQUES AND ARE WELL THOUGHT OF AS INVESTIGATORS). TO DATE NO VENEZUELAN INVESTIGATORS HAVE ARRIVED.


DLAT WILL MEET WITH GUATEMALAN FIELD INVESTIGATORS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE ON 01/31/90 IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE FURTHER FACTS, AND POSSIBLY OTHER EVIDENCE IN CAPTIONED MATTER.

U.S. AMBASSADOR AND STAFF, WILL BE KEPT APPRAISED OF ANY AND ALL INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN THIS MATTER.

LEAD: OLIA

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER, AND RELATED ISSUE, REQUEST DOS BERNIE ARONSON PROVIDE YOU WITH DOS CABLES, GUATEMALA 000511, 000585, SAN SAL 000668, STATE 019886, MEXICO 001458, AND FBIS 141022.

SUBSEQUENT DOS CABLES RE THIS MATTER WILL BE SENT OLIA ATTN:

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DLAT WILL MAINTAIN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH OLIA AS SAME PERTAINS TO TRANSPORTATION OF EVIDENCE FOR LAB EXAM.

REQUEST OF FBIHQ COMMUNICATIONS: PROVIDE LEGAT, MEXICO CITY,

WITH A COPY OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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