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Carmen DiPlacido, Director Office of Citizens Consular Services United States Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Attention:

Consuelo Pachon, Consular Affairs Officer

Dear Mr. DiPlacido:

Request for depositions in the case of the Jesuit priests killed in El Salvador

We received your July 12, 1991, letter requesting that we facilitate the execution of a request for judicial assistance from the Fourth Criminal Court Judge of San Salvador, Republic of El Salvador. You asked that we try to send the results to you during the first two weeks in August, 1991.

Eight of the nine witnesses listed in your letter have agreed to voluntarily assist in the matter, and to testify under oath in accordance with Title 28, U.S.C., Section 1782(b). Enclosed please find authenticated transcripts of the testimony. A letter rogatory sent to us by the Legal Adviser's Office on August 7, 1991, requests the testimony of another witness, Major Eric Buckland, who also agreed to voluntarily testify, and the authenticated transcript of his testimony also is enclosed. remaining witness, Ms. Carol Buckland, has not yet decided whether to cooperate with El Salvador's request, and we will inform you as soon as we learn her final decision.

Please let me know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Drew C. Arena Director

Office of International Affairs

Criminal Division

John E. Harris By:/ Deputy Director

Enclosures

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