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Proposed Amendment

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Section 1. HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR NICARAGUAN RESISTANCE FORCES.

1(a) Authorization--

Appropriates \$27 million for <sup>Dept. of State</sup> ~~AID~~, to be available through February 1986 (9 months), for <sup>Dept. of State</sup> ~~use only~~ for humanitarian assistance provided through ~~AID~~, for Nicaraguan resistance forces so long as they are willing to negotiate and agree to a cease-fire. Funds would be made available in 3 installments of \$9 million each, coinciding with and contingent upon fulfillment of the 90-day reporting requirement in sec. 3.

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Appropriates an additional \$2 million for expenses arising from implementation of a Contadora agreement.

Provided ~~that~~ <sup>di</sup> no funds available to the CIA, DOD, or any other agency or entity of the United States involved in intelligence activities may be obligated or expended, directly or indirectly, for material assistance to the Nicaraguan democratic resistance including arms, ammunition, or other equipment or material which could be used to inflict serious bodily harm or death, or which would have the effect of providing arms, ammunition or other weapons of war for military or paramilitary operations in Nicaragua by any group, organization, movement or individual.

1(b) Definition of Humanitarian Assistance--

"Humanitarian assistance" means the provision of food, clothing, medicine, and other humanitarian assistance. It does not include any weapons, weapons systems, ammunition, or other equipment or material which can be used to inflict serious bodily harm or death, or which could support combat activities.  
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Section 2. POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO NICARAGUA.

- (1) The President is urged to pursue diplomatic and economic steps to resolve the conflict in Nicaragua and bring about implementation of the Contadora objectives of 1983, and to develop trade and economic measures in close cooperation with other nations to encourage Nicaragua to resolve the conflict.
- (2) The President is urged to suspend military maneuvers in Honduras and off Nicaragua's coast, and to lift the current U.S. trade embargo, if GON agrees to a cease-fire, to open a dialog with the resistance forces, and to suspend the state of emergency.

- (3) The President is required to report to the Intelligence Committees concerning alleged human rights violations by the resistance forces and by GON. With respect to the resistance forces, the report shall include information about who is responsible, and a course of action to cleanse the leadership of the resistance forces so that it is free of the taint of "Somocismo" and of those guilty of major violations of human rights against the civilian population.
- (4) The President is urged to resume bilateral discussions with GON to encourage a church-mediated dialog between GON and the resistance forces, and a comprehensive, verifiable agreement among the nations of Central America, based on the Contadora objectives.

### Section 3. QUARTERLY REPORTS.

Requires the President to report to Congress every 90 days on activities carried out in accordance with the amendment, including efforts to reach a negotiated settlement, steps taken by the resistance forces in accordance with paragraph (3) of section 2, and a detailed accounting of disbursements made for humanitarian aid.

### Section 4. ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR NICARAGUAN RESISTANCE FORCES.

In the absence of progress toward resolving the conflict, the President may, after consultation with Congress, submit a request for additional aid to the resistance forces, in such amount and of such nature as he deems appropriate. Such request, in the form of a joint resolution, would be considered under special expedited procedures used to consider aid earlier this year.

### Section 5. ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR CENTRAL AMERICAN PEACE PROCESS.

Similar to section 4, to provide for the introduction and expedited consideration of a Presidential request for additional assistance to aid the Central American peace process.