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Mr. McCurdy:

Subject: Proposed Amendment language on Nicaragua

Per our discussion attached is the language, hopefully, with sufficient trigger mechanisms to send the message if it gets reported out in the intelligence authorization bill .

This language would require that the 28 Million requested for FY 86 be approved in the Bill. The other route for the expenditure of funds would require a Reserve Release and gets tricky.

If this language meets your needs, we need to talk to the lawyers about it. If not introduced in the Subcommittee markup, you could introduce it in the FULL Committee Markup now schedule for tuesday, May 7.



Note- days left blank in re economic sanctions- I would suggest 90 days-will take at least that long to measure if they will have impact.

Sec. \_\_\_\_ (a). No funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act may be obligated or expended for the purpose or which would have the effect of supporting, directly or indirectly, military or paramilitary operations in Nicaragua by any nation, group, organization, movement, or individual.

(b) The prohibition contained in Section (a) shall cease to apply 30 days after the President certifies to the Congress that the Government of Nicaragua has not made satisfactory progress toward achieving the goals of free elections, freedom of the press, and reduction of the number of Soviet and Cuban military advisers in Nicaragua, and such certification has been preceded by --

(1) the observance of a cease fire for at least 90 days by the forces engaged in military or paramilitary activities against the Government of Nicaragua;

(2) bilateral negotiations, during the 90-day period referred to in paragraph 1, between the United States and the Government of Nicaragua; and

(3) the imposition, at the end of the 90-day period referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 and continuing for at least        days, of economic sanctions, including the elimination of a most favored nation trade status, against the Government of Nicaragua.