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TO : The Attorney General

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EMBASSY OF NICARAGUA  
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A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has reported that on February 11, 1963, I. Irving Davidson, registered agent for Nicaragua, was in contact with General Julio C. Morales, Military and Air Attache of the Nicaraguan Embassy. Our source said their conversation was couched in very circumspect terms.

Without identifying the individual to whom he referred, Davidson said that "he" should stay there awhile because they were sitting on the "grand jury" and they want to ask him about those two checks. Davidson conjectured that probably "Frank" merely got his regular check for \$1,000 and "Flood" endorsed it and cashed it for "Frank" at the bank in the Capitol. Davidson advised Morales to get word to Nicaragua. He said that although he was close to "Drew," he could do nothing; he had even tried "plata" (Spanish for silver).

Davidson continued by relating that about a year ago he had told "Frank" and the "General" that "Frank should not have done that" because, whether it was right or wrong, Drew Pearson would put it in the paper and it could cause embarrassment. Davidson thought the matter was probably being brought up at this time because of the "foreign agents investigation."

As possibly connected with the above, it is noted that Drew Pearson's column in the February 13, 1963, issue of the "Washington Post and Times Herald" reported that Senate probers had unearthed two political contributions from the brothers Luis and Anastasio Somoza, President and Secretary of Defense, respectively, of Nicaragua. One of the contributions was a \$10,000 payment to the 1960 campaign of President Kennedy, who knew nothing concerning it. The other was a payment of \$1,500 to the election campaign of Representative Daniel J. Flood, Pennsylvania. According to Pearson, these contributions were made through Frank Berry, a registered Nicaraguan agent.

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The Attorney General

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It is noted the files of the Registration Section of the Department reveal Frank Barry, 1025 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C., is a registered agent of the Nicaraguan Government. Our source reported on January 31, 1963, that Barry would be in Nicaragua subsequent to February 7, 1963.

No inquiries will be made by this Bureau into the matter outlined above in the absence of a specific request.

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General
- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

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See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption, dated 2/14/63, prepared by ACM:ams.

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