

## ROUTING AND TRANSMITTAL SLIP

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## REMARKS

Subject: Hearing Central America.

*OK - How about "next door neighbors" ?*

*I like it -*

*Better -*

*CF*

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To: Elliott Abrams

Subject: Hearing Central America

With reference to the attached, it doesn't help us for ARA to move the Central Americans from "our backyard" to "our frontyard". The offensive words are "our yard". Can't we just refer to Central America as "our neighbor" and to its inhabitants as "our neighbors". That would be better manners, less provincial, and lots smarter politically.

I believe we can prevail on ARA to remove this costly irritant if we go at it low key.

George Lister

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