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Washington, D.C. 20520

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TO: ARA Office Directors

FROM: ARA - George Lister

SUBJECT: Latin America Human Rights Progress Reports

The attached NSC memorandum requests confidential summary progress reports on human rights in each Latin American and Caribbean country from January 1977 to date. I received the memorandum on the morning of March 17. The deadline for transmittal to the NSC will be COB, Monday, March 26.

Our reply will not be in chart form. At least in most cases the summaries should be kept to two paragraphs, not exceeding a total of one single-spaced page for each country. The first paragraph should briefly describe conditions in January 1977 and the second should summarize the present situation. A sample format is attached. The specific subjects should include the major topics addressed in our 1978 Human Rights Reports.

Please let me have your double-spaced first drafts by noon, March 21. Let me know whether you think clearance with our Embassies in the field will be necessary.

CC: ARA - Ambassador Vaky HA - Mark Schneider

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