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Scope and Content Note:

The materials in FOIA 2004-0728-F are responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Related materials can be found in FOIA 2004-0729-F and 2004-0730-F. FOIA 2004-0728-F contains materials surrounding the events leading up to the election of Violeta B. de Chamorro as President, including Congressional support for the Nicaraguan armed resistance fighters, mustering financial and logistical support for free elections in 1990, and independent international verification of the election. Following Chamorro's successful election, the documents outline the various 2004-0728-F 2 efforts to assist Nicaragua in improving its economy through increased trade, extension of credit, and emergency funding; reconciling its previous opposing political factions; and improving diplomatic relations with the United States, such as the official State Visit of President Chamorro on April 17, 1991. Some documents included have been previously declassified during the Iran - Contra investigation and are from the period when Bush served as Vice-President. A significant amount of material responsive to this FOIA is contained in the files of the National Security Council (NSC). Although these files are listed, it should be noted that most of these documents are security classified and have been closed under the restrictions of the Freedom of Information Act. Some common acronyms found within these documents include: AID - Agency for International Development CBERA - Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Expansion CBI - Caribbean Basin Initiative CIAV - Commission on Inter-American Verification FMLN - Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front GON - Government of Nicaragua ICJ - International Court of Justice NED - National Endowment for Democracy OAS - Organization of American States OPIC - Overseas Private Investment Corporation PCC - Policy Coordinating Committee RN - National Resistance UNO - National Opposition Union

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