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Security Assistance for Honduras

Honduras has \$10 million in FMS grant (\$1M) and credits (\$9M) for FY82. They also are scheduled to receive \$17 million in grant aid in the supplemental appropriation request now before Congress.

Major projects we would like to see financed by the \$10 million available now include:

- Six A-37 aircraft (for a total of 11 in Honduras) as approved by DepSecDef on 13 May.
- Two C-123K transport aircraft.
  - To be demonstrated to the Honduran military on 21 May.
  - C-123Ks would serve as interim air transport thus negating need to purchase six de Havilland of Canada Buffalo aircraft costing \$45 million dollars.
- Communication equipment to provide country-wide military net.
- Other less costly initiatives include:
  - Training 100 OCS students at US Army School of the Americas in Panama to start 1 June.
  - Jungle training for an Army Company in Panama.
  - Transportation of an Army Company to CONUS for a combined exercise.

Other initiative to aid Honduras is the Western Caribbean Airfield Improvement Project.

- Honduras to get \$21 million in improvement projects if Congress approves funds.
- Access agreement has been reached with Honduras.
- Projects will be built as rapidly as possible and are sized to permit the basing of 8 F-15 aircraft at either Goloson (North Central Coast) or Camayagua (60 miles NW Tegucigalpa).
- Air Force/Army Corps of Engineers team to start engineering studies on 16 May.

Honduras is one of six countries worldwide having Security Assistance Defense Analysis Papers (SADAPs) written on them to develop well researched and thought out multi-year assistance programs. These papers should give us the opportunity to help shape events instead of reacting to them.

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