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Military and paramilitary activities
in and against Nicaragua
(Nicaragua v. United States of America)

The following information is communicated to the press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

At two public hearings held by the Court on 25 April 1984, Mr. Carlos Arguello Gomez, Agent of Nicaragua, Professor Abram Chayes and Professor Ian Brownlie, Counsel and Advocates, presented observations on behalf of the Government of Nicaragua in support of the request for the indication of provisional measures filed by that Government.

At the public hearing held on the morning of 27 April 1984, Mr. Davis R. Robinson, Agent of the United States of America, Messrs. Michael G. Kozak, Special Counsel, and Daniel W. McGovern, Deputy Agent of the United States presented the views of the Government of the United States on the request submitted by Nicaragua.

At the public hearing held during the afternoon of 27 April, the Court heard replies given on behalf of Nicaragua by Mr. Carlos Arguello Gomez, Agent of Nicaragua, and Mr. Ian Brownlie, Counsel and Advocate and on behalf of the United States, by Mr. Davis R. Robinson, Agent of the United States. The Court will now deliberate in private.

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The provisional measures which Nicaragua requests the Court to indicate under article 41 of the Statute of the Court are as follows:

"That the United States should immediately cease and desist from providing, directly or indirectly, any support - including training, arms, ammunition, supplies, assistance, finances, direction or any other form of support - to any nation, group, organization, movement or individual engaged or planning to engage in military or paramilitary activities in or against Nicaragua;

That...

That the United States should immediately cease and desist from any military or paramilitary activity by its own officials, agents or forces in or against Nicaragua and from any other use or threat of force in its relations with Nicaragua."

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The United States has requested the Court to remove the case from the list on the ground that, in the contention of the United States, Nicaragua's Application manifestly falls outside the Court's jurisdiction.

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The date on which the Court will deliver its decision will be announced in due course.

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