

Rosalynn Carter's Trip to Costa Rica, 5/31/77-6/1/77

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- 12:50 p.m. Depart airport enroute to Hotel Cariari.
- 12:55 p.m. Arrive Hotel Cariari
- 1:45 p.m. Press bus departs hotel enroute to Foreign Ministry.
- 2:45 p.m. Depart Foreign Ministry for Casa Presidencial. Press coverage of arrival only.
- 2:50 p.m. Press leave Casa Presidencial for Centro Cultural.
- 4:35 p.m. Depart Centro Cultural enroute to Hotel Cariari.
- 6:40 p.m. Press bus leaves for National Theater.
- 7:20 p.m. Mrs. Carter arrives National Theater for performance by Youth Symphony and reception hosted by President and Mrs. Oduber.
- 10:00 p.m. Press briefing on scheduled events June 1 - hotel Press Center.
- 10:20 p.m. Press bus returns to Hotel Costa Rica for those wishing to dine in city.
- 12:00 p.m. Press bus leaves Hotel Costa Rica for Hotel Cariari.

Wednesday, June 1

- 6:00 a.m. Press Center opens
- 8:35 a.m. Press bus leaves for Marta Saborio Fonseca School in Alajuela.
- 9:30 a.m. Press pool bus leaves school for Supreme Electoral Tribunal
- 9:45 a.m. Press bus departs school enroute to Hotel Cariari.
- 11:20 a.m. Press conference - Cariari Club.
- 11:50 a.m. Press files
- 12:00 p.m. Informal reception for President and Mrs. Oduber hosted by Mrs. Carter at hotel.

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ARRIVAL STATEMENT COSTA RICA

FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO, MRS. ODUBER, MRS. FACIO, FRIENDS:

MUCHAS GRACIAS. ES UN GRAN PLACER PARA MI ESTAR AQUI EN SU HERMOSO PAIS. MI ESPOSO Y YO HEMOS ESTADO AQUI CUANDO EL FUE GOVERNADOR DE GEORGIA. ESTOY MUY CONTENTA DE PODER VOLVER PORQUE LLEVAMOS CON NOSOTROS IMPRESIONES MARAVILLOSAS DE COSTA RICA Y DEL PUEBLO COSTARRICENSE.

DURING MY BRIEF STAY, I WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT ODUBER AND WITH YOU, MR. MINISTER, TO DISCUSS THE LONG-TIME FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES AND BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND LATIN AMERICA GENERALLY. I EXPECT TO SHARE WITH YOU THE BELIEFS OF THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION, TO EXPLAIN OUR VIEWS ON ISSUES OF COMMON CONCERN, AND TO DISCUSS WAYS WE CAN COOPERATE WITH EACH OTHER TO STRENGTHEN THE CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

JIMMY WANTED ME TO TELL YOU THAT TOMORROW AT THE OAS HE WILL SIGN THE AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH WAS FIRST NEGOTIATED IN YOUR COUNTRY IN 1969. COSTA RICA HAS BEEN THE SOURCE OF MANY CREATIVE IDEAS IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD, AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL SHARE YOUR VIEWS AND ANY NEW IDEAS WITH ME. MY HUSBAND ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THESE CONSULTATIONS.

FINALLY, I WANT TO SAY HOW PLEASED I AM THAT AMBASSADOR TODMAN WAS ABLE TO JOIN MRS. VANCE AND ME FOR THIS TRIP. I KNOW HOW HIGHLY REGARDED HE IS IN COSTA RICA AND HOW PLEASED HE IS TO RETURN ALSO.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR WARM WELCOME. I LOOK FORWARD TO MY VISIT.

MRS. CARTER REMARKS

SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL

SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA

JUNE 1, 1977

My purpose of my visit here to the Supreme Electoral Tribunal is not just to learn about it, but to demonstrate that Costa Rica and my country, the United States of America, share so much in common. Although our electoral systems are different, we still produce the same results: a free, truthful, and accurate recording of the will of the people.

Without free elections there is no democracy, no guarantee of freedom from tyranny, no assurance of respect for human rights. Without free elections no nation enjoys liberty, no matter what its level of development may be.

When Jimmy made his Pan American Day speech to the OAS, he stressed three points in the new approach of the United States toward foreign policy. The first is a high regard for the individuality and sovereignty of each nation. The second was a respect for human rights. And the third was the desire of all countries to be interested in, involved with, and consulting with the developing countries and the great issues that affect the developed and developing countries.

I've discussed these issues with your President and your Foreign Minister. I think it's appropriate now to discuss them with you, because two of them that I have mentioned deal directly

Carter Remarks
Supreme Electoral Tribunal
San Jose, Costa Rica
June 1, 1977

with the work that you do.

First, as you have said, Mr. President, suffrage is one of the human rights. It is mentioned specifically in the United Nations Charter on Human Rights, as you said. And second, this institution, which watches over Costa Rican suffrage, is one which sets off Costa Rica from most of the countries of the world, and reflects the individuality of this proud democracy.

I look forward to returning to Washington and telling Jimmy of my meeting with you, describing this Tribunal to him, and taking him the documents you have presented to me. Thank you very much.

WELCOMING ADDRESS TO MRS. ROSALYNN CARTER, FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA, AND GOOD WILL AMBASSADOR OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON SPECIAL MISSION

San Jose, May 31st, 1977

Her Excellency Mrs. Rosalynn Carter

Distinguished members of her Retenue

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Costa Rica

Mrs. Rosalynn Carter arrives to Costa Rica and will visit six other Latinamerican countries, as the Good Will Ambassador of the President of the United States. She has the capacity to discuss the regional problems with the political leaders, with whom she will meet during her visit. She is ready to present to our consideration a true version of the way President Carter proposes to improve Interamerican relations. Nobody is more able than Mrs. Carter to report to her husband the impressions she will receive during her visit, and to give him her sincere and well informed opinion on the best course that must be given to the bilateral and multilateral relations between the United States of America and the nations of this Hemisphere.

We welcome Mrs. Carter as the exquisite lady who has been a dignified companion of her illustrious husband, President Jimmy Carter, in the realm of his home, his work and in the political arena. We greet her also as a great citizen of the United States who, without loosing her enchanting feminity, has struggled for the rights of women and who has taken great interest in the solution of social problems of her country.

It is because of all of this, that I have the distinct honor of welcoming Mrs. Rosalynn Carter on behalf of the Costa Rican people, with

warmth and fervor, for both herself and all that she represents.

A FIGHTING FAIT

Throughout this century, free society has held a defensive attitude, demoralized by the infectious anxieties of the poverty stricken masses, weakened by the attacks of fascism and of communism.

This demands to transform democracy into a fighting fait, not for a future resistance movement, but for all of us, here and now, in the last part of the twentieth century.

We feel that in the first four months of his administration, President Carter has demonstrated that he understands this challenge, and that he is willing to confront it. In his eloquent speech at Notre Dame University on May 23rd., Jimmy Carter said:

"Against the dark faith of the times, we shall demonstrate that our Government can be both competent and humane."

"We are confident that democratic methods are the most effective, and so we are not tempted to employ improper tactics at home or abroad."

NEW METHODS FOR WORLD COMPETITION

The ideological discrepancies that separate the democratic from the totalitarian governments are irreductable. Each one has a radically different concept of human dignity and of the relation between man and State. These differences, even though they do not prevent pacific coexistence, will not permit the elimination of a strong international competition between the nations that try to suppress liberty and extend the totalitarian system, and those that struggle to withhold the expansion and save individual liberty.

During the worst period of the Cold War, the foreign policy directed by John Foster Dulles, was centered fundamentally on establishing military alliances with all self proclaimed anticommunist governments, with no regard to their lack of respect for liberty and human rights.

In his memorable speech at Notre Dame University, President Carter recognized the weakness of this position when he said:

"Being confident of our own future, we are now free of that inordinate fear of communism which once led us to embrace any dictator who joined us in our fear...

We fought fire with fire, never thinking that fire is better fought with water."

The direction that Dr. Henry A. Kissinger gave to the foreign policy of his country, diminished the danger of a nuclear war, changing permanent confrontation for continued negotiations. There was the hope that growing diplomatic and commercial interaction would permit the penetration of communist societies influencing them to a peaceful change.

However, during all of this period, as in the previous one of the Cold War, the Soviets, who proclaimed themselves as materialists, did not cease in their campaign of ideological penetration. They made their strategy ride on the basis of a central idea: Socialist revolution, classless society, exploiting the frustration of people subjected to misery.

Meanwhile, the free world did not give priority to the task of taking to all parts of the world, a great message of faith in the dignity of the human being and in the capability of the democratic system, for achieving

economic development and social justice in a framework of liberty. A message that will awake everywhere a real enthusiasm --a fighting faith-- for the cause of democracy.

THE DEMOCRATIC COUNTER-OFFENSIVE INITIATED BY JIMMY CARTER

With the ascent of your distinguished husband to the Presidency of the United States of America, Mrs. Carter, we feel that a new stage has begun for those of us who love freedom and the democratic system. This is a stage, that was frustrated by the assassination of President Kennedy, but that now could be called the era of the ideological counter-offensive of democracy, is characterized by the indeclineable decision of President Carter to recognize the moral values in which the democratic system is founded and to fight in every part of the world for the respect of human rights.

It seems then, that the moment has come to take to the totalitarian societies not only the diplomacy, the commerce, and the successful example of some capitalist institutions, but also the ideological pressure in favor of respect of human rights, which is only fully present in democratic regimes and where the people, subjected to totalitarianism, instinctively wish to enjoy this way of life.

This new concept of the international policy of North America seems to be embodied in the following paragraphs of the so often quoted address of Notre Dame:

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"We have reaffirmed America's commitment of human rights as a fundamental tenet of our foreign policy...

I understand fully the limits of moral ^{power} persuasion. I have no illusion that changes will come easily or soon. But I also believe that it is a mistake to undervalue the power of words

and the ideas that words embody...

In the life of the human spirit, words are action...

The leaders of totalitarian countries understand this very well. The proof is that words are precisely the action for which dissidents in those countries are being persecuted.

We, Costa Ricans are filled with enthusiasm by the fact that the great North American nation has decided to utilize in its foreign policy the high norms of respect for human dignity, for which the United States has been struggling in its domestic sphere during the last two hundred years.

Many violators of human rights have criticized this thesis of President Carter as being contrary to the principle of non-intervention. This is understandable, but not acceptable.

The respect for human rights is today an international responsibility and its observance has left the purely domestic sphere in which the repressive regimes had strived to keep it.

Costa Ricans believe, on the contrary, that the pressure in favor of the respect for human rights is a formidable weapon that, to remain authentic, must be applied equally to dictatorships of the left, which reign in the socialist world, as to those of the right, which are abundant in the capitalist world.

Your Excellency Mrs. Carter:

We have confidence that you may inform your illustrious husband that in this small corner of America, democracy is effectively practiced, human rights are respected, and that we fight for social justice. We trust also that you may report to your

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husband about the enthusiasm inspired in us by his new international policy, and how much we admire his courage. We have strong hopes that in the person of President Carter the true Free World has found, at last, a great leader, capable of injecting democracy with that great fighting fait that it needs in order to resist the attacks from its enemies and tro promote freedom and justice in all regions of the world.

GIFTS FROM MRS. CARTER ON LATIN AMERICA TRIP

President Carter's Speech to the OAS. Blue leather-bound with gold embossing. Given to: Prime Minister Manley
President Oduber
Supreme Council of Government of Ecuador
President Morales Bermudez
President Geisel
President Lopez (Michelsen)
President Perez

Book "Mission to Earth: Landsat Views the World". A NASA publication depicting satellite images of different parts of the world, personally inscribed by the President. Given to same individuals as OAS speech.

Book "Why Not The Best?" Green leather-bound, with gold embossing. The President's book, personally inscribed by him. Given to:
Prime Minister Manley President Morales Bermudez
Governor General Glasspole President Geisel
President Oduber President Lopez Michelsen
President Poveda
General Duran President Perez
General Leoro

Crystal Sculptured Goodwood Branch - Handblown by Atlanta, Georgia artist Hans Frabel to:

Mrs. Manley	Mrs. Morales Bermudez
Governor General & Mrs. Glasspole	Mrs. Geisel
Mrs. Oduber	Governor of Pernambuco & Mrs.
Mrs. Poveda	Mrs. Lopez
Mrs. Duran	Mrs. Perez
Mrs. Leoro	

Room 417-SS-

Margaret Osmer, ABC-TV "Good Morning America".

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Rosalynn Carter opened the first news conference of her trip with kind words for Prime Minister Manley. After seven hours of talks the reporters were particularly curious about what had been said about Cuba.

Rosalynn Carter: I told him that we were making some gestures and exploring to see if Cuba wanted normalization with the United States, but that we have some very difficult problems to face with Cuba before we do reach any kind of normalization.

Osmer: Mrs. Carter said they'd also discussed the question of human rights in detail, and that she had told the prime minister that President Carter will sign the American Convention on Human Rights Wednesday. That signing is obviously timed to coincide with Mrs. Carter's visit to Costa Rica, where the Convention was negotiated in 1969. Foreign Minister Facio made reference to this in his welcoming remarks, and Mrs. Carter responded:

Rosalynn Carter: Costa Rica has been the source of many creative ideas in the human rights field, and I hope that you will share your views and any new ideas with me. My husband attaches great importance to these consultations.

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Osmer: She concluded her remarks by saying that she was happy to be back in Costa Rica, and she said that in Spanish. And that brought smiles and cheers from the crowd, "... muchas gracias." (San Jose).

David Dow, CBS Radio, World News Roundup.

Mrs. Carter has spent much of her public time praising the democratic achievements of her first hosts on this seven-nation tour - Jamaica and Costa Rica. Today she leaves Costa Rica for Ecuador, a country run by a military junta which has promised to return democratic processes next year. And, on the substantive side of her mission, Mrs. Carter will have a chance tomorrow to explain her husband's human rights initiative to the junta members.

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Yesterday her travels began looking more like the goodwill missions traditional of U.S. First Ladies, - a hugging, hand-shaking visit in Jamaica to a ghetto day care center; and here in San Jose, visits to a cultural center and a youth symphony concert. But at regular intervals, she and accompanying U.S. advisors sit down with the leaders in each country and apparently score some points. Costa Rica's Foreign Minister Gonzalo Facio, a seasoned diplomat, last night described Mrs. Carter as direct and well informed. (San Jose).

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COOLING HIS HEELS WHILE THE GALS CHAT
Costa Rican President Daniel Oduber, Wife Marjorie and Rosalynn Carter

Rosalynn Proves Candid On Costa Rican Trade

By NANCY LEWIS
Constitution Washington Bureau

QUITO, Ecuador — Rosalynn Carter has proved to be as candid during her Latin American trip as her husband is at home.

At a press conference in San Jose, Costa Rica—before her flight here Wednesday afternoon—Mrs. Carter said flatly she had told President Daniel Oduber she "could not promise him anything that Jimmy could not promise him and that we could not deliver." Her reply came during intense questioning about the prospects of increasing the amount of beef Costa Rica is allowed to export to the United States. It now ranks fourth.

Although the United States has probably the best relations with Costa Rica of any country in Latin America, the beef import issue is one which divides the two countries.

U.S. import quotas are based on historical proportions of imports and do not reflect current production. Costa Rica wants to export more beef to the U.S. and in his February 1976 visit to Costa Rica then-Secretary of State Henry Kissinger apparently promised the government he would do something to increase Costa Rica's quotas. He didn't.

Mrs. Carter said repeatedly "we cannot promise the Costa Ricans," but added special trade. Ambassador Robert Strauss now is reviewing the method for determining the quotas.

The American First Lady also stood her ground during several questions about what the U.S. government plans to do about the presence in Costa Rica of fugitive financier Robert Vesco.

Sought in the United States on charges of securities fraud,

Vesco has been living in Costa Rica since 1972, largely protected by the Costa Rican government.

But in recent weeks there have been charges that Vesco made illegal contributions during the 1974 national elections in Costa Rica and pressure has been increasing for Vesco's extradition.

Mrs. Carter replied several times—and legally quite correctly—that the Vesco matter is being handled by the Justice Department and was outside her—and President Carter's—sphere of influence.

Mrs. Carter did speak authoritatively about human rights and democracy, which are increasingly becoming the prime focuses of her seven-nation, 14-day trip. President Carter, who Wednesday signed the 1969 American Convention on Human Rights in Washington, did so in honor of Costa Rica where it was negotiated. Her husband also favors increasing the budget

to support the convention, Mrs. Carter said.

Human rights were a major part of Mrs. Carter's hour-plus talk with Oduber Tuesday afternoon and a nation's support of human rights were a prime criterion for choosing the countries she is visiting.

The trip here is in support of Ecuador's record for human rights and is planned to serve as deliberate reinforcement of this country's planned return to democracy. The country presently is ruled by a three-man military junta called the Supreme Council of Government.

But the triumvirate has pledged a return to free elections by 1978. Mrs. Carter hopes to support that move.

Mrs. Carter was met here Wednesday by the wives of the three top leaders, and a massive array of military might.

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Rosalynn's Trip: Power in



PROMISES?—Rosalynn Carter meets Costa Rica's First Lady Marjorie Oduber after telling President Daniel Oduber she "would take it up with Jimmy" regarding beef quota talks

AP Wirephoto

Her Portfolio

First Lady Can 'Take It Up With Jimmy'

BY MARLENE CIMONS

Times Staff Writer

QUITO, Ecuador—First Lady Rosalynn Carter bristled only once.

The question was one she obviously did not like.

"You have neither been elected by the American people nor confirmed by the Senate to discuss foreign policy with foreign heads of state," she was asked at a press conference. "Do you consider this trip an appropriate exercise of your position?"

Her reply was terse: "I think I am the person closest to the President of the United States," she said. "And if I can help him in understanding the countries of the world, then that's what I intend to do."

It was a criticism that had plagued her before the trip began, and one she is trying to ignore. But her response to hearing it again was the only sign of irritation thus far in an otherwise unruffled performance this week during the first segment of an unusual foreign policy mission for an American First Lady.

President Carter, who has said he wants to deal with Latin-American nations as individual countries, not as a bloc, has taken the first step by sending his wife on a 13-day visit to seven of these nations.

More Than Ceremonial

It is not new for a President's wife to travel overseas to represent her husband. But those trips have always been ceremonial. They visited hospitals and schools. They sipped tea. They hugged babies.

Rosalynn Carter, however, is not ignoring the ceremonial aspect. But she is making it clear that there is going to be more to this trip than hospital visits. She knows she cannot negotiate. She cannot make policy. She cannot promise anybody anything. But in a few days she has managed to go further in foreign policy than any previous First Lady.

It is significant that these leaders are willing to meet with her to discuss policy matters. Despite initial rumblings that Latin "machismo" would prevent her from being taken seriously, she seems to be succeeding.

In Jamaica, for example, she spent seven hours with Prime Minister Michael Manley discussing subjects that ranged from the troubled island's economy and relations with Cuba to the Panama Canal and human rights.

Here in Quito, she came to encourage the ruling military junta to keep its promise to return Ecuador's government to the control of its citizens.

And in San Jose, Costa Rica, she told a press conference of President Daniel Oduber's desire that the United States raise his country's beef imports quotas.

"I told him I would take it up with Jimmy. But I also told him I couldn't promise him anything that Jimmy couldn't deliver."

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Power in Rosalynn's Portfolio

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In some instances, however, the subjects that did not come up were almost as revealing as the ones that did. There was no official mention of American fugitive financier Robert L. Vesco, who is wanted in the United States for securities fraud and who is involved in a political campaign scandal in Costa Rica, where he lives.

"The purpose of my trip here was to talk to the president about economic needs of his country," she said when asked about it. "The Vesco matter is under review by the Justice Department. I don't know anything about it."

She added: "In one of my briefings in Washington they said — Vesco is in Costa Rica — and that was it. It just wasn't the purpose of my trip."

But if the leaders of Costa Rica were reluctant to talk about it, the people were not.

People Not Reluctant

A women's political group delivered a letter to the First Lady asking in respectful terms that the United States act to extradite him. "The irritating presence of North American citizen Robert Lee Vesco in Costa Rica . . . has had a most detrimental effect on our public morals," it said.

Robert Vesco, incidentally, has become somewhat of a tourist attraction in Costa Rica.

"There are sight-seeing tours that go past his house," said a San Jose resident. "It's located about five miles outside of town, not too far from the Soviet embassy. The tours take in both places in one shot. Vesco's house has two clay tennis courts — and a high wall with closed circuit TV cameras. He thinks everyone is out to get him. I went there once to take a picture of the front door. It opened and someone came out and took a picture of me."

Costa Rica is a constitutional democracy and proud of it. Warmth toward Americans is evident everywhere, and there is a special fondness for Carter, who came there in 1972 while he was governor of Georgia.

"People here connect the Carters with Kennedy," said one American who has lived in San Jose for four years. "His smile reminds people of Kennedy. They think Carter will turn into a great leader. Kennedy was the last American President to visit Costa Rica and he got a tumultuous welcome. On the day he arrived, the big volcano here exploded for the first time in many years."

"On the walls of every house you will see two pictures, Jesus Christ and Kennedy. This is the first time the Costa Ricans have felt good about a U.S. President since Kennedy."

Costa Rica does not have any army. It has not had one since the end of its civil war in 1948. Instead, the country pours its money into culture and social programs.

During her stay, Mrs. Carter attended a performance of the National Youth Symphony, a group of 275 young people between the ages of 4 and 20 who are training for musical careers. Children of laborers play alongside children of lawyers or high government officials. They play instruments loaned to them free of charge by the Costa Rican government.

"All the Central American countries had to import their musicians for their orchestras because there just weren't any," said Gloria Waissblum, a Chilean who now lives in San Jose and teaches violin. "We decided to grow our own."

There are about 6,000 retired Americans living in Costa Rica and they are there because the government initiated incentives to attract them.

"A special law called 'pensionado' was passed," said one U.S. official based in San Jose. "Americans who have a guaranteed monthly income of \$300 can come in and bring a tax-free auto, and can furnish a house tax-free. The Costa Ricans want a pleasant group of people who aren't going to be a threat to them, and who are going to bring in

foreign money. They do like Americans — and they have absolutely no hangups about old people."

It has not always been tranquil in Costa Rica. In 1948 the country experienced a bloody civil war. The only remnants of that era can be found in a national museum, a spectacular building that once served as the Ministry of Defense. Bullet holes can be seen in the walls and the basement still houses the cells that once held political prisoners. They now contain religious articles. But on the walls the Costa Ricans have preserved the angry anti-government graffiti scrawled there almost 30 years ago.

There is also a story — possibly apocryphal — about the bullet holes. It is said that someone was sent to machine-gun the presidential house in San Jose with instructions to look for the most imposing structure he could find. He walked right by the presidential house and sprayed the ministry instead. He probably missed because the presidential house resembles a hangar.

Another story, as told by Costa Rica's onetime ambassador to London, concerns the end of the death penalty in that country. "In the last century the wife of President Tomas Guardia asked her husband to abolish the death penalty as a birthday present for her," said Mimi de Chittenden. "He said OK — and did it."

Mimi de Chittenden, incidentally, was the first woman to become an ambassador to the Court of St. James. She served there from 1962-66. "I had a ball," she said.

She said there was no opposition to her appointment because of her sex. "Here," she said, "we teach the boys early in life."

'Pollos Fritos Kentucky'

In addition to Costa Rica's democratic government there are other indications of American influence. Red and white signs, for example, show the smiling face of Col. Sanders proclaiming "Pollos Fritos Kentucky." They also say, "Para chuparse los dedos," literally translated, "for licking the fingers."

San Jose stands in a broad, fertile valley. The city was founded in 1737 and its architecture is a blend of traditional Spanish and modern. Some wide avenues are flanked by green parks and flower gardens and others are narrow with wooden houses and one-way traffic.

"It's a very calm, peaceful city," said a 28-year-old American who came down on a whim in 1973 and stayed. "People are friendly. The only problem is that there isn't a lot of action. It's a passive place. If you're used to free-swinging nightlife, you'd go crazy. But I wanted to try something different. And it's a perfect place to be comfortable."

Kingston, Jamaica, on the other hand — Mrs. Carter's first stop — is none of those things. Its streets are scarred with poverty and shantytowns flank the city. Violence and racial tension have increased here and island tourism is faltering as a result.

Despite this, the people of Kingston gave Rosalynn Carter an affectionate — and optimistic — welcome.

"I was really impressed with Prime Minister Manley's concern not only for the poor nations, but for the poor people in the nations," Mrs. Carter said. "He really hurts for people who lack food and clothing and housing — and for countries where poverty is so prevalent."

It was most evident in his own capital.

"It's a lovely island and the people are nice, but to be frank with you, Mum, the whole of Jamaica is poor and want help," said one woman standing in the damp heat waiting for Mrs. Carter's arrival at a central Kingston urban renewal project.

"The children is poor. The mothers and fathers is poor. These children here can't go to school but once or twice a week. You can't learn when you're hungry — Mama, they say — where's the lunch? I would like to tell that nice lady that we need help. Maybe her country can help. Maybe when she go back she tell her husband to help."

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COSTA RICA: ANTI-VESCO RALLY SLATED FOR MRS CARTER'S
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CARDONA AND HIS COLLEAGUES, AND THE COSTA RICAN
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2. JUNE 7 LAICACION CARRIES NONRNTAFF EDITORIAL
"HUMAN RIGHTS AND MRS. CARTER'S VISIT". AUTHOR
LEFTIST LAWYER ENRIQUE VARGAS SOTO, ONE OF MOST VOCAL
OPPONENTS OF FAMILY PLANNING, TAKES CARTER VISIT AS
OPPORTUNITY TO FUEL LONG-STANDING LOCAL CONTROVERSY:
"AS LONG AS WORLD BANK, AID, AND OTHER U.S.
FOUNDATIONS CONTINUE IMPOSING ZERO POPULATION GROWTH,
AND SO CRUSH THE SACRED RIGHT FOR LIFE, PRESIDENT
CARTER'S DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS WILL HAVE THE TASTE OF
A MOURNFUL HYPOCRISY".

3. WHILE POST RATES EXCELSIOR OPINION RE SS AS FAIRLY

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WIDELY SHARED, STRENUOUS SECURITY MEASURES DURING VISIT
HAVING CAUSED SOME GENUINELY HARD FEELINGS AMONG LOCAL
MEDIA, LA NACION EDITORIAL BY VARGAS EXPECTED TO HAVE
ZERO IMPACT.

4. OTHER CARTER TRIP COVERAGE LIGHT, BRIEF AP AND EFE
CABLES RE ARRIVAL IN BRAZIL, RADIO CARRYING VOA FEEDS;
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pool report by mcbee, june 1

Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Oduber visited the Special Education School in Aljuela, about 9 km from San Jose, and were greeted by Beryl Horton, a Peace Corps volunteer who has been working at the school 3 years. ~~RE~~ Horton showed the visitors a bulletin board with news articles about the April, 1976 ~~xxxxxxx~~ visit of 10 students, two teachers, and the director, Maria Carmen Saborio, to the Livsey School in DeKalb County, Ga. RC asked how many children went; Horton said 10 and that 3 of them were here today to greet her. She was introduced to the governor of the province, the president of the city of Aljuela, the ~~g~~ regional director of education and other officials. Horton took her to a classroom where the students, some of whom are deaf ~~xxxx~~ and some of whom are retarded, were making diamond-shaped traffic signs. One said Alto, another said Zona Escolar. Horton said that in April of this year 20 students and 4 faculty members of the Livsey School came here for a visit. Two children presented RC with two gifts, a school T shirt and a school shield made of straw. The girl who presented the T shirt said, "This is for Amy." Then 5 deaf boys and 5 deaf girls did a Costa Rican dance for the guests. The girls wore white peasant blouses and red, green, yellow, and black taffeta skirts. The boys wore blue trousers, white shirts, red scarfs and tan hats. Next a large group of boys and girls in white t shirts and white shorts did an exercise to ~~a series of exercises~~ the beat of a song that started: "Give the chicken fat back to the chickens; don't be a chicken any more; push up 10 times every morning." They touched toes, did pushups, and marched in place. RC smiled and sometimes laughed at their antics. She said in a little speech that ~~xxxxxxx~~ the President's Commission on Mental Health "will be very interested when I go back and tell them the great work you are doing here." In spanish she said: "It is a great pleasure for me to be here with you. I enjoyed very much your program. Many thanks for your gifts. I like them very much and I have a gift for you."

Horton said the kids attending the school were age $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 15.

Mrs. Carter greeted the children after the ceremony, in which she presented a large slide viewer with slides of the United States to the school.

At the Supreme Electoral Tribunal, she met its president, Francisco Saenz Mesa and four other members of the tribunal. They exchanged gifts. Saenz gave a long speech explaining the work of the tribunal and Mrs. Carter, speaking in English with Stephanie Van Reigersberg translating, repeated the three main points Carter made in ^{the} his OAS speech: ~~a high~~ that we have a high regard for individuality and sovereignty of nations; that we have great concern for human rights, and that we have a desire to work with and consult with the developing countries. RC said she had discussed these issues with Oduber. She said suffrage is one of the most important of the human rights and that the tribunal is an institution that sets Costa Rica apart from the rest of the world. She said she looked forward to describing its work to Jimmy.

PRESS CONTACT: BARBARA HEINEBACK ROOM 262 HOTEL CARIARI

PRESS SCENARIO

JUNE 1, 1977

SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA

8:35 A.M. Press bus and pool bus leave for school in Alajuela.
(See pool list below).

9:00 A.M. Pool cars depart with official motorcade for Alajuela.

At school Fitzpatrick

McBee

McElhinney

Murphy

Tasnadi will tour school with Mrs. Carter.

Rest of press positioned outside in press area.

9:45 A.M. Official party departs school enroute to Tribunal.
Pool bus joins motorcade. Speed is vital. Cameras
go in van prior to Mrs. Carter departure to insure
place in motorcade.

9:45 A.M. Press bus departs school enroute to Hotel Cariari.
Free time until Press conference at 11:20 A.M.
in Club Cariari, adjacent to Hotel.

10:20 A.M. Arrive Electoral Tribunal. Photo opportunity and
coverage five minutes only. There will be lights;
no mike--poor sound.

However, remarks are being taped and transcript will
be forwarded to Quito if not ready by departure. Cameras
to depart immediately to van to return to Hotel ahead
of motorcade to set up for press conference. Writers
remain to return with motorcade.

11:20 A.M. Press conference, Club Cariari. Lights, sound, and mult
provided.

Pool Car I

Arvidson

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Tasnadi

Pool Car II

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Kazickas

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Barry May

Mike Sadow

Hermes Muñoz

Leif Sorenson

Steve Stanford

Robert Sullivan

Alvero Trenchi

MRS. CARTER'S VISIT AND THE COSTA RICAN PRESS

Wednesday, June 1st, 1977

Newspaper Editorials

LA REPUBLICA

The newspaper La Republica describes as "wise" the intervention of the Carter Administration in the field of Human Rights.

in an editorial commenting on the forecoming OAS General Assembly in Grenada, which Cyrus Vance will attend, and which he has called "of vital importance". The editorial noted also that Vance must offer solutions to certain problems.

The newspaper featured as the day's ^{top} story the words of Mrs. Carter "I came to discuss common problems".

EXCELSIOR

Newspaper carried the following headline: "Warm reception for Rosalynn Carter: 'Costa Rica Leader in Human Rights' ". The newspaper published also several pages with photographs, one in color.

LA NACION

This newspaper's headlines emphasizes: Rosalynn Carter. "Costa Rica is a source of our creative ideas."

Other sources:

Salvadorian Ambassador kidnapped was freed. Carter signs today in Washington the Convention on Human Rights. Civil League of Women published letter against Robert Vesco and assures that they will ^{early} meet/today with Mrs. Carter to request extradition to U.S.

Mrs. Carter arrival Juan Santamaría airport
May 31, 1977 San José Costa Rica

Mrs. Carter's arrival remarks

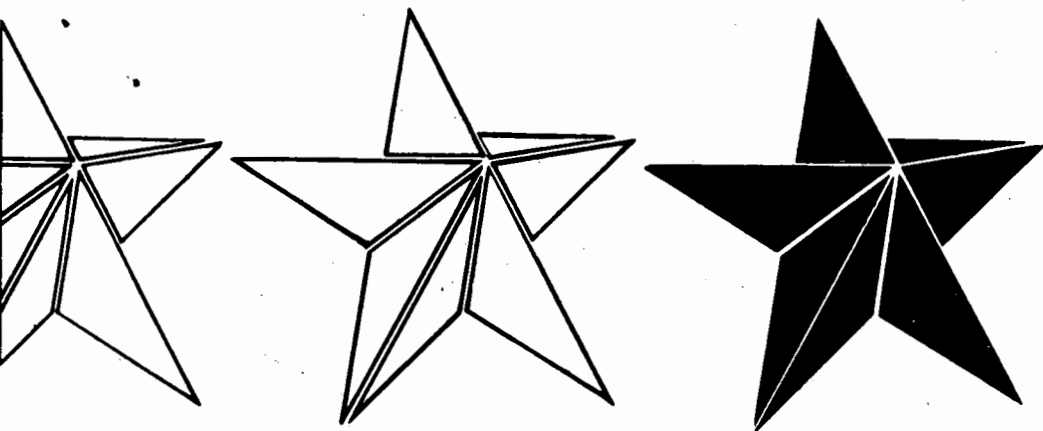
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ROSALYNN CARTER: PROFILE OF THE U.S. FIRST LADY

WASHINGTON -- When Rosalynn Carter visits Latin America on her first official trip outside the United States, she will represent the nation not only as its first Lady, but as a personification of U.S. womanhood of the 1970's --- energetic, knowledgeable, receptive to new ideas, sure of her own identity.

Her two week journey will take Mrs. Carter to seven countries --- Jamaica, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, Brazil, Colombia and Venezuela. During this extensive swing through the Caribbean, Central and South American region, she will meet with political leaders in every nation to discuss matters of mutual interest and concern.

Rosalynn Smith Carter, at 49, is a confident and serious First Lady who has said she has come to the White House to work. "I have always worked," she once remarked, "I understand people who work for a living." She is a woman who rejects superficiality and prefers the down-to-earth satisfaction of helping achieve the goals of both her husband and herself. As one aide said, "her priorities are issues."

Rosalynn Smith was born in the Georgia farming town of Plains in 1927. Her father died when she was 13; her

Mother went to work and Rosalynn helped raise her younger brothers and sisters. She accepted large responsibility at an early age.

She became a navy wife when she married Jimmy Carter in 1946, the year she graduated from Georgia Southwestern College, and adjusted quickly to the uncertainties of military life while caring for three small boys at three different naval bases in the United States. A daughter, Amy, was born in Plains, Georgia in 1967.

Jimmy Carter's father died in 1953. As his oldest son, the then lieutenant Jimmy Carter made the difficult decision to end his promising naval career and return to Plains to take over the family farming interests. Rosalynn managed the accounts while Jimmy ran the farm and farm supply business, and together, they turned it into a thriving and profitable enterprise.

President Carter and his wife have always worked as a team -- not only in the family business but in his political campaigns as well. When Jimmy Carter ran for (and won) a Georgia State Senate seat in 1962, and when he campaigned successfully for the governorship of Georgia in 1970, she was by his side. In his primary campaign for the democratic party's presidential nomination and the resulting 1976 presidential election campaign, Mrs. Carter played an active and central role.

Any description of Rosalynn Carter becomes a contradiction -- but a contradiction that reflects the role of a modern woman in a modern world. Mrs. Carter has been

called earnest, toughminded, gentle, compassionate -- adjectives that barely capture the vitality of this attractive, brownhaired dynamo who admits to having no qualms about disagreeing with her husband and to even occasionally winning an argument with him. She is Jimmy Carter's greatest admirer and confidant, and as he himself has said, "a political partner of mine" who "participates in an awareness of what our Government is and the problems we face in foreign affairs."

Mrs. Carter's daily schedule is almost as hectic as the President's. She supervises the arranging of all the social affairs in the White House -- state dinners, luncheons, entertainments -- and she makes time for her family gatherings as well. In addition, since shortly after the inauguration, she has been taking Spanish lessons three hours a day, three days a week, and will have taken close to 130 class hours in the language before her trip to Latin America beginning May 30.

Besides the routine day-to-day requirements of being a president's wife, Rosalynn Carter is deeply involved in civic projects of intense personal interest. Of top priority is her activity as honorary chairperson of the newly created President's Commission on Mental Health. In this new role, she has named 20 distinguished members to the commission which has been given a mandate to inventory mental health services across the nation and take recommendations on how those services can be improved.

In earlier years, when Jimmy Carter was Governor of

Georgia, his wife served as his personal delegate on the Governor's Commission to improve services for the mentally and emotionally handicapped. While First Lady of Georgia, he was also honorary chairman of the state's special olympic games for retarded children, and a member of the Georgian Mental Health Association. In 1975 she was elected to the national board of directors of the Mental Health Association.

Mrs. Carter is also concerned with expanding and improving programs for the aged in the United States, and she has been a dedicated campaigner for the passage of the equal rights for women amendment (era) TO the U.S. constitution, which is now before the legislatures of the states.

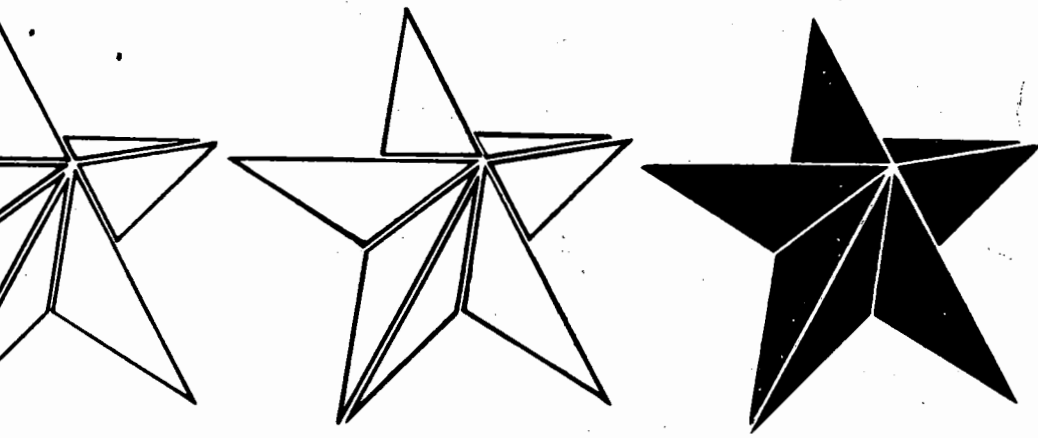
Despite its ceremonial elegance, life in the White House is not, in Mrs. Carter's view, a great change from life in her home town of Plains. She has said that being in the spotlight on a national stage does not bother her since in Plains everyone knew everyone else and she was used to having people around her all the time. Her devotion to that small rural southern community where she was born has never wavered. "If I could build the White House anywhere," she has observed, "it would be right here in Plains."

Part of that grassroots lifestyle is the Carter family's deep devotion to religion. Both Rosalynn and Jimmy Carter are members of the Baptist Church and are active in church activities in Plains and in Washington D.C.. This commitment to religion is paralleled by an equally strong dedication to family. Mrs. Carter is

both a mother and grandmother. Though sons Jack, Chip, and Jeff are all grown, married, and launched on lives of their own, nine-year-old Amy still requires a great deal of her mother's attention. Mrs. Carter breakfasts with Amy before she goes off to public school a few blocks from the White House, and she often helps Amy with her studies in the afternoon. Mrs. Carter lunches with her husband as often as his schedule permits and she says that evening meals are kept "family style" as much as possible.

Through years of campaigning for her husband, Rosalynn Carter has developed a charm and vivacity and love of people that has followed her to the White House. One of her first statements about traveling as First Lady was "I want to go everywhere." She is relaxed about meeting new people and thoroughly enjoys the wide range of humanity she encounters in her travels.

"People are the same everywhere you go," according to Rosalynn Carter. "Basically, they're good, honest, they work hard, they want to be self-sufficient to support their families." It is with this enthusiasm that she looks forward to going to Latin America this month. As her husband has said, aside from her diplomatic activity, "she will express our deep friendship for our neighbors in the south."



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BIODATA ON THE MEMBERS OF MRS. CARTER'S PARTY

WASHINGTON -- Among those accompanying First Lady Rosalynn Carter on her seven-nation tour of Latin America beginning may 30 will be Grace Vance, wife of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance; Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs Terence A. Todman; and Robert A. Pastor, Senior Staff Member and Coordinator of Latin American and Caribbean Affairs for the U.S. National Security Council.

Herewith are brief biographic sketches of the three:

Mrs. Grace Vance:

Grace Sloan Vance, wife of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance, has been actively involved in community affairs for many years.

Mrs. Vance is a member of the Board and Executive Committee of the Wolf Trap Foundation, which supports a center for the performing arts of the same name in suburban Washington D. C., and she is a member of the Council of Rockefeller University. She has served on numerous boards and organizations, including the New York Urban League, the Widening Horizons Educational Program in Washington, The Public Education Association and The Maternity Center Association.

Mrs. Vance received her education at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, and at the Columbia School of General Studies, The Parsons School of Design, and Barnard College -- all in New York City.

During World War II, she served as an American Red Cross staff assistant in Italy, (1944-46). In 1947 she was married to Cyrus Vance.

Secretary and Mrs. Vance have five children: Elsie Nicol Vance, Amy Sloane Vance, Camilla Vance Higgins, Grace Roberts Vance, and Cyrus R. Vance, Jr. Mrs. Vance's hobbies include painting, tennis, and gardening.

Terence A. Todman

Terence A. Todman has been Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs since April 1977. He was serving as U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica when he was nominated by President Carter to his current position.

A Career Foreign Service Officer, Mr. Todman has also served as Ambassador to Guinea (1972-1975) and as Ambassador to Chad (1969-1972). He received the Department's Superior Honor Award in 1966 and was decorated by the Government of Chad in 1972.

Mr. Todman entered the Foreign Service in 1957 after five years of service in the Department of State as an International Relations Officer. He served as Political Officer in New Delhi (1957-1960), and in Tunis, Tunisia (1961-1965), before becoming Deputy Chief of Mission and Counselor of Embassy in Lome, Togo, where he remained for three and a half years. He was Country Director for

East African Affairs when he was named Ambassador to Chad in 1969.

During his early assignments in the Department, Mr. Todman was an Advisor to the Delegations to the United Nations General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council. He also served as a representative on the petitions and Rural Economic Development Committees of the Trusteeship Council.

Earlier he was Desk Officer for India-Ceylon-Nepal Affairs. From 1945 to 1949 Mr. Todman served in the U.S. Army, in Puerto Rico and later as an officer in Japan. In 1951 he was assistant to the Personnel Officer of the Virgin Islands.

Born in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, on March 13, 1926, Mr. Todman received a B.A. Summa Cum Laude from the Interamerican University of Puerto Rico and an M.P.A. from Syracuse University. He has also done graduate work in Political Science at American University. He speaks Arabic, French and Spanish.

Mr. Todman is married to the former Doris Weston. Mr. and Mrs. Todman have four children -- Terence, Jr., Patricia, Kathryn and Michael.

Robert A. Pastor:

Robert A. Pastor, 30, is presently Senior Staff Member and Coordinator of Latin American and Caribbean Affairs for the National Security Council. Before joining

the National Security Council Staff, Mr. Pastor served as Executive Director of the Commission of U.S. Latin American Relations, a private group of distinguished American citizens.

Chaired by the honorable Sol M. Linowitz, the Commission issued two reports on U.S. policy to Latin America: The Americas in a Changing World in October 1974 and The United States and Latin America: Next Steps in December 1976.

As a consultant to the Joint Presidential-Congressional Commission on the Organization of the Government for the Conduct of Foreign Policy (The Murphy Commission), Mr. Pastor wrote several studies recommending improvements in the way U.S. policy is made to Latin America.

Between 1974 and 1976, Mr. Pastor was a teaching fellow in the Government Department at Harvard University, where he also received his Ph.D. in political science. In addition he did research for three years as an associate at the Center for International Affairs at Harvard.

An honors graduate of Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania in 1969, he traveled extensively throughout Central America and wrote his thesis on the Guatemalan Revolution, 1944-54. He received a masters degree in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University in 1974.

Mr. Pastor has also worked on Latin American affairs in The Foreign Affairs Division of the Library of Congress, and served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Malaysia.

He studied in England for one year in college, and has traveled extensively in Eastern and Western Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Southeast Asia and the Pacific. He has written extensively on U.S. policy to Latin America and on international economic subjects.

JAMAICA

Gifts Received:

1. Painting of Jamaican by George Rodney from Prime Minister Manley
2. Straw purse with doll (for Amy) from Prime Minister Manley
3. Cigars (for President Carter) from Prime Minister Manley
4. Embroidered Skirt from Mrs. Glasspole
5. Record Album and book of folk songs from Jamaican folk singers

COSTA RICA

1. Drawing "La Tortuga" from President and Mrs. Oduber
2. Costa Rican Constitution, Electoral Tribunal Laws from Supreme Electoral Tribunal.
3. Jade necklace from Instituto Nacional de Seguros
4. Red oxcart and coffee beans (for Amy) from students of Centro Cultural
5. Ox cart and scrolls from the Alajuela School

QUITO

1. Silver pin from Mrs. Leoro
2. Silver bracelet from Mrs. Povela
3. Silver necklace from Mrs. Duran
4. Caspicara (book) from Admiral Povela
5. Quito Eterno (Vol I) from General Leoro
6. Quito Eterno (Vol II) from General Duran
7. Ecuador (book) from: Galo Plaza
Elogio a Quito (book) from Galo Plaza
Arte Ecuatoriano (book) (Vol II) from Galo Plaza
8. Shoe Shine Boy - wooden statue from Working Boys Center
9. Ecuador (book) from Foreign Minister Salvador

PALABRAS DE LA PRIMERA DAMA ROSALYNN CARTER
A SU LLEGADA A COSTA RICA Mayo 31, 1977

Señor Ministro:

Muchas gracias por sus amables palabras acerca de mí y mi esposo. Durante mi estadía espero poder reunirme con Ud. y el Presidente Oduber así como con otros líderes de su país para conversar sobre la larga amistad y las relaciones entre los Estados Unidos y la América Latina en general.

Deseo compartir con Uds. las creencias de la Administración Carter y explicar nuestros puntos de vista sobre los sucesos que nos conciernen a ambos y discutir con Uds. las formas en que podemos cooperar mutuamente para fortalecer la causa de los derechos humanos.

Jimmy desea que les comunique que mañana en la OEA firmará la Convención Interamericana de Derechos Humanos que se negoció por primera vez en su país en 1969. Costa Rica ha sido la fuente de muchas ideas creativas en la rama de derechos humanos y espero que Ud. comparta conmigo sus puntos de vista, así como sus nuevas ideas. Mi esposo le da gran importancia a estas consultas.

Me da mucho gusto que el Embajador Todman haya podido acompañarnos a la Sra. Vance y a mí en este viaje. Yo sé en cuanta estima lo tienen, y él también se siente muy complacido de volver a estar con Uds.

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SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA MAY 31st 1977

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2. YESTERDAY AFTERNOON PRESS AND THIS MORNIG'S PAPERS ALL FRONT-PAGED MRS. CARTER STORY WITH PICTURE, JUMPED TO FULL PAGE COVERAGE ON PAGE TWO AND FURTHER INSIDE. ALL LED WITH ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL VISIT, GIVING EXTENSIVE QUOTES OR COM-
LA REPUBLICA, WHICH LED WITH NEWS CONFERENCE QUESTIONS ON TRADE AND MEAT QUOTAS. SAMPLE LEAD FROM PRO-GOVERNMENT EXCELSIOR: "THE UNITED STATES' FIRST LADY, ROSALYNN CARTER, TOLD THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PRESS YESTERDAY THAT ONE OF THE BEST MOMENTS FOR HER DURING HER STAY IN COSTA RICA HAD BEEN TO VISIT THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL, SINCE IT IS THE INSTITUTION THAT SETS US APART IN THE WORLD BY OUR DEMOCRATIC VALUES."

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3. INSIDE MORNING PRESS, ALL PAPERS PLACED CARTER SIGNING OF SAN JOSE PACT PROMINENTLY AMONG CABLE STORIES. EXCELSIOR RAN WHOLE PAGE OF COLOR PHOTOS TAKEN WQ NATIONAL THEATER RECEPTION.

4. LA REPUBLICA PRINTED ONLY RELEVANT EDITORIAL THIS MORNING HIGHLIGHTING CARTER SIGNING OF INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND SIMULTANEOUS COSTA RICA RATIFICATION OF ITS INSTRUMENTS. EDITORIAL CONCLUDED: "THE CRITICISM OF SOME THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S POLICY OF LINKING INTERNATIONAL AID WITH OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS... IMPLIES INTERVENTION IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS WILL LOSE ALL MERIT THE MOMENT AN INTERNATIONAL COURT JUDGES CASES OF VIOLATION OF RIGHTS THAT EVERY MAN DESERVES."

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5. IN ONLY DISCORDANT NOTE, TV AND RADIO NEWSMEN, PRENSA LIBRE AND EXCELSIOR CONTINUED TO SNIPE AT SECRET SERVICE AGENTS. EXCELSIOR SUMMED UP, "THE MESSAGE AND THE SPECIAL MISSION THAT BROUGHT MRS. ROSALYNN CARTER TO OUR COUNTRY WERE TARNISHED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS BY THE SECURITY AGENTS THAT ACCOMPANIED HER, WHO WITH BRUSQUE AND, FOR US, UNACCUSTOMED BEHAVIOR, CAUSED SERIOUS PROBLEMS FOR THE PRESS, COSTA RICAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EVEN FOR OUR FIRST LADY, MRS. MARJORIE ODUBER, AS WELL AS FOR THE BODYGUARDS OF PRESIDENT ODUBER."

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN

WHITE HOUSE FOR MARY HOYT

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP, CS, NU (CARTER, ROSALYNN)

SUBJECT: QUESTION ON NICARAGUA IN MRS. CARTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE

1. LETTER RE POLITICAL SITUATION IN NICARAGUA TO MRS. CARTER FROM MARIO RAMIREZ VILLALOBOS, DIRECTOR OF TICONOTICIAS (AND COSTA RICAN JOURNALIST WHO RAISED THIS MATTER WITH MRS. CARTER AT PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 1) NOTES PRESIDENT CARTER'S INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS, THE INTEREST OF COSTA RICANS IN POLITICAL/HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN NICARAGUA, AND CONCLUDES THAT US SHOULD "PROFOUNDLY ANALYZE" SITUATION IN THAT COUNTRY. LETTER LISTS ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN NICARAGUA. IT ALSO STATES THAT REASON COSTA RICANS ARE INTERESTED IN NICARAGUA IS DUE TO FACT THAT DEMOCRACY EXISTS IN COSTA RICA AND COSTA RICANS, AS HUMAN BEINGS, ARE INTERESTED IN THE PLIGHT OF THEIR NEIGHBORS.

2. LETTER CONTAINS 20 ODD PAGE ENCLOSURE SENT BY NICARAGUANS IN EXILE TO NICARAGUAN MILITARY COURTS ON OCCASION OF RECENTLY COMPLETED TRIAL OF 111 POLITICAL PRESURES IN THAT COUNTRY. IT CRITICIZES MILITARY JUSTICE IN NICARAGUA, REVIEWS HISTORY OF SOMOZA FAMILY IN POWER, REPRINTS JACK ANDERSON COLUMNS, LISTS ALLEGED SOMOZA FAMILY ECONOMIC HOLDINGS, DENOUNCES HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, ETC.

3. ALSO DELIVERED TO EMBASSY FOR MRS. CARTER ON JUNE 1 ARE LETTERS FROM COSTA RICAN COMMITTEE OF SOLIDARITY WITH NICARAGUA AND FROM MOTHER OF COSTA RICAN STUDENT LIANA BENAVIDES, WHO HAD BEEN JAILED IN NICARAGUA FOR GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES (BUT WHO HAS SINCE BEEN FREED AFTER TRIAL AND RETURNED TO COSTA RICA). BENAVIDES IS COSIGNER OF LETTER FROM SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE. LETTERS RELATE ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN NICARAGUA AND CHILE AND CALL ON US TO CEASE SUPPORT TO NICARAGUA. LETTER FROM SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE

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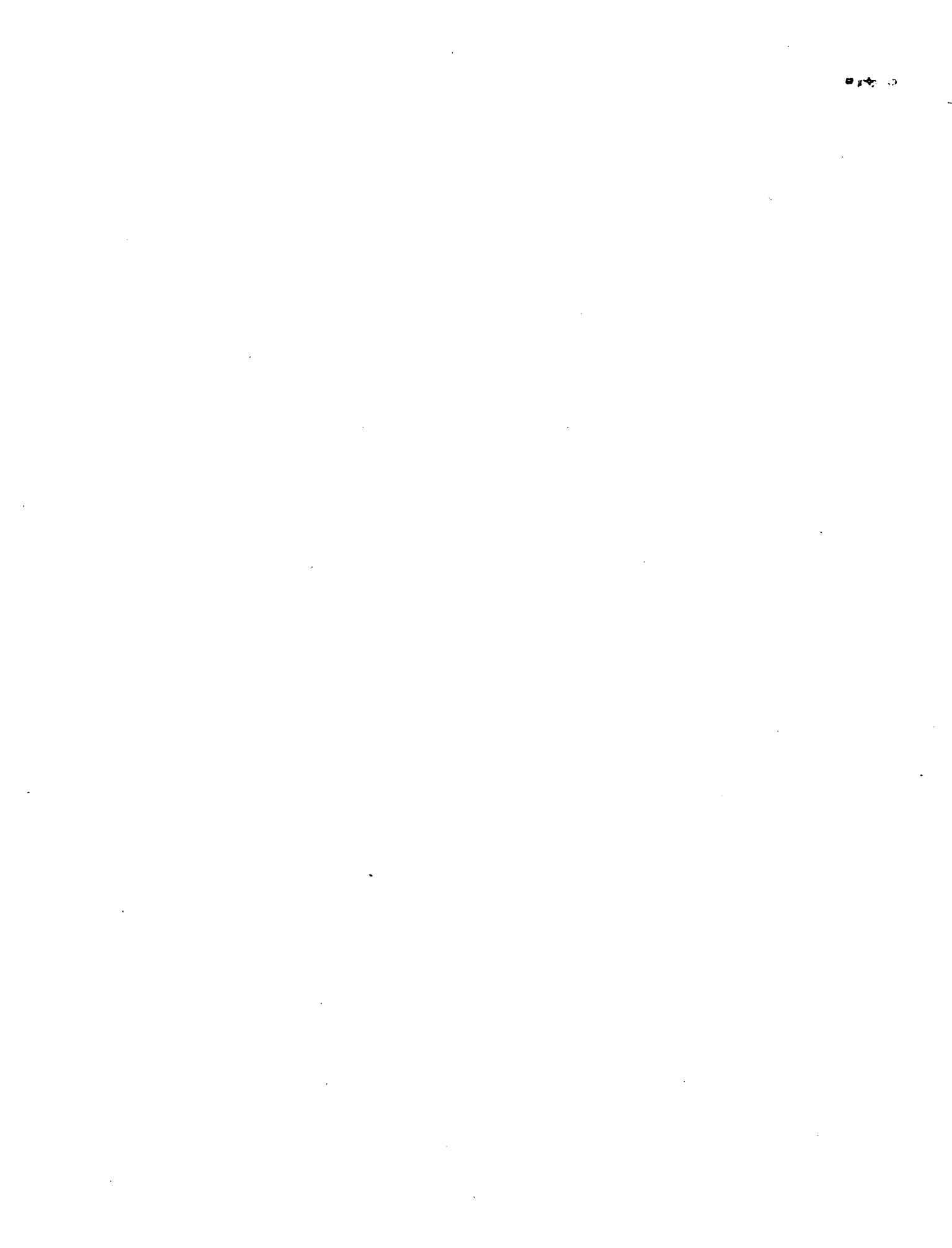
QUOTES PRESIDENT'S NOTRE DAME SPEECH, AND ENCLOSURES
A LETTER CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN NICARAGUA
SENT TO PRESIDENT CARTER IN JANUARY BY TWENTY LATIN
AMERICAN INTELLECTUALS.

4. RAMIREZ' QUESTION/COMMENT TO MRS. CARTER ON
NICARAGUA HAVE RECEIVED NO REPEAT NO LOCAL MEDIA
PLAY. BENEVDIES LETTER PUBLISHED JUNE 2.

5. LETTERS AND ENCLOSURES BEING POUCHED TO ARA FOR
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, ROSALYNN), VE

SUBJECT: MRS. CARTER'S TRIP, MEDIA REACTION

1. NO EDITORIAL COMMENT ON MRS. CARTER TRIP TODAY.
2. LAST NIGHT ALL THREE TELEVISION NETWORKS FEATURED FILM OF MRS. CARTER TOURING POOR NEIGHBORHOOD IN JAMAICA AND DELIVERING ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA IN MAJOR NEWS PROGRAMS.
3. TODAY'S EL NACIONAL CABLEPAGES UPI STORY IN THREE COLUMNS, WITH BOLD FOUR-DECK HEAD: "SAYS PRESIDENT OF COSTA RICA, ROSALYNN CARTER IS VERY NATURAL AND GETS RIGHT TO THE POINT;" SUBHEAD, "SECRET SERVICE ACCOMPANYING THE FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED STATES IS VERY RIGOROUS."
4. EL UNIVERSAL TODAY PROMINENTLY CABLEPAGES AP STORY IN SIX COLUMNS, WITH AP WIREPHOTO OF MRS. CARTER AND PRESIDENT ODUBER. TWO DECK HEADLINE READS, "SAYS COST RICAN PRESIDENT, US FIRST LADY IS VERY NATURAL AND GOES DIRECTLY TO THE POINT;" SUBHEAD, "WIFE OF PRESIDENT CARTER, AFTER CONVERSATIONS WITH COSTA RICAN LEADER, LEAVES FOR QUITO WHERE SHE ARRIVES LATE AT NIGHT."
5. TABLOID ULTIMAS NOTICIAS BURIES EFE STORY IN ONE COLUMN, TWO PARAGRAPHS: "CARTER'S WIFE ARRIVES IN QUITO."

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SUBJ: MRS. CARTER'S VISIT

REF: USIA 15036

PRESS COVERAGE ON JUNE 1 APPEARED IN FIVE OF THE SIX DAILIES. THE SALIENT POINTS WERE: "MRS. CARTER PUTS HER SPANISH TO THE TEST" (CABLE FROM COSTA RICA WITH PHOTO); LA PRENSA, "ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME FOR ROSALYNN CARTER IN SAN JOS"; EL CRONISTA ON ITS LAST PAGE REPORTS ON A CABLE FROM NEW YORK CREDITED TO EFE WHICH ASSERTS THAT THE ROSALYNN CARTER VISIT IS 'COLONIALIST' ACCORDING TO A LETTER PUBLISHED IN THE NEW YORK TIMES AND THAT THE U.S. HZIJCATTLE INTEREST IN LATAM SENDING THOSE LACKING DECISION-MAKING POWER AS GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER IN THE PAST.

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2. TV AND RADIO COVERAGE HAVE ONLY REPEATED CABLED INFORMATION.
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ENGLISH TEXT, JUNE 3RD. EDITORIAL BY MARIN CANAS
IN PRO-GOVERNMENT EXCELSIOR RE MRS. CARTER VISIT:
SIMPLICITY AS A NEW FORM OF POLITICS

I DID NOT SEE MRS. ROSALYNN CARTER EXCEPT ON T.V. BUT,
DISCOUNTING THIS MISFORTUNE, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT
WITH MR. SCARTER AS PRESIDENT OF THE MOST POWERFUL AND
DEMOCRATIC NATION OF THE WORLD, WE ARE LIGHT YEARS
AWAY FROM THE EPOCH OF OUR UNFORGETTABLE MISTER
THEODORE ROOSEVELT, THE PRESIDENT AT THE BEGINNING
OF THE CENTURY WHO ESTABLISHED THE "BIGSTICK" POLP

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THERE IS A MAGIC COMBINATION - NOT ARTIFICIAL, BUT
AS NATURAL AS RAINWATER - WHICH IS COMPOSED OF THE
SMILE OF PRESIDENT CARTER AND THE ENCHANTING AND RAV-D
ISHING ROSALYNN, TO WHOM HEARTS SURRENDER AS SHE
PASSES BY, PEOPLES' ARMS OPEN WIDE, AND FROM WHOM
EMANATES A DELICATE FRESH BREEZE OF GOODNESS.
JUST HER APPEARANCE AT THE TOP OF THE STAIRWAY OF
THE PLANE WAS ENOUGH TO SHOW IN THIS GREAT LADY AN
AIR OF SUCH SIMPLICITY AND GOODNESS, THAT WHEN WE SAW
HER ON LAND AND CLOSE UP, WE RECOGNIZED IT AS A
SPIRIT WHICH SEEKS KINDNESS WITH THE SAME NATURALNESS
THAT A MOTHER KISSES THE FACE OF HER BABY.
EVERYTHING ABOUT HER IS WARM AND PROTECTIVE.
CIRCUMSTANCES NEVER CHANGE THENVQELG UFG LIGNIFICANCE
OF THE SEARCH FOR THE LOVE OF HUMANITY; OF THE DESIRE
TO HELP COUNTRIES WIN RIGHTS WHICH MEN OF GOOD WILL
ARE ENTITLED TO; AND THE CONCERN OF WOMEN, THOSE TIRE-
LESS SEEKERS OF HUMAN KINDNESS, FOR THEIR COUNTRY'S
DESTINY. HER FACE SHOWS BENEVOLENCE, CURIOSITY, AND
EAGERNESS; A DESIRE, GREATER THAN THAT OF THE SAMARITAN,
AND NO LESS THAN THAT OF HE WHO ONCE THOUGHT OF MANKIND
AMONG THE ANCIENT OLIVE PLANTATIONS NEAR THE HOLY LAND.
IN THIS FRAIL AND SMALL LADY OF HIGH PURPOSE CAN BE
FOUND EVERYTHING WHICH CAN BE SUMMED UP AS HUMAN SWEET-
NESS, OR PURITY OF FEELING, AND WHICH MANIFESTS ITSELF
IN HER SIMPLICITY OF DRESS, AND HER SIMPLXMN ELEGANT,
AND POLITE MOVEMENTS.

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WHEN SHE STEPPED UP TO THE MICROPHONE, WE DID NOT KNOW THAT SHE WAS BRINGING A VERY PLEASANT SURPRISE WRAPPED IN THE GUAZES OF HER GOOD INTENTIONS. TO SEE AND HEAR THIS GREAT LADY, ABANDONING HER NATIVE LANGUAGE -- THAT OF GEORGIA, QRHER HOME -- AND BRAVELY SPEAKING IN AN ENCHANTING AND SIBYLLINE WAY THE LANGUAGE OF THE COUNTRY SHE VISITS -- THAT WAS TO US, THE SPANISH-SPEAKING, THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY GIFT, THE MOST CHARMING AND PLEASING OF HER ACTIONS, THE KIND FOUND ONLY IN SOULS WITH WISE AND ADVENTUROUS SPIRITS.

SHE KNBNS THAT SHE HASN'T MASTERED THE LANGUAGE BUT HER INDOMITABLE SPIRIT MADE HER UNDERTAKE THE TASK, AND SHE LEAVES US THE GIFT OF HER VOICE, HEARD AND UNDERSTOOD BY THOSE WHO ONLY SPEAK OUR NATIVE TONGUE. FOR THE COSTA RICANS, THIS MOMENT WAS, WITHOUT DOUBT, THE MOST PRECIOUS HOMAGE THAT THE FIRST LADY COULD GIVE TO A DECENT AND DEMOCRATIC CITIZENRY. COMING AS IT DID FROM A NATION SO ENDOWED WITH WEALTH, CULTURE, AND POWER, YOU COULD CALL IT A MIRACLE. THIS INTREPID FIRST LADY BRINGS ALONG WITH THE AURA OF HER UNFORGETTABLE AND SPECIAL PERSONALITY A SOLID PREPARATION ON THE MOST PRESSING PROBLEMS CONFRONTING LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES TODAY, THE MAJORITY OF WHICH FACE A BLEAK FUTURE, A FUTURE WHICH GREATLY WORRIES MRS. CARTER. THE THEME OF HUMAN RIGHTS, WHICH SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED AND STUDIED THOROUGHLY THROUGHOUT THE AMERICAS, AS IT IS IN OUR EXEMPLARY COUNTRY, WAS TREATED BY MRS. CARTER WITH GREAT HOPE AND KNOWLEDGE. HER VISIT TO OUR COUNTRY YBS LEFT MEMORIES OF HER FEMINITY AND TALENT, OF HER PREPARATION AND HUMILITY, AND OF HER SIMPLICITY AND WORTH. WE WON'T FORGET HER.

WE HAVE, AS CONSOLATION AFTER MRS. CARTER'S DEPARTURE, OUR OWN FIRST LADY -- DISTINGUISHSW AND ELEGANT, INTELLIGENT AND ARTISTIC, A WORKER AND AND WITH THE PEOPLE -- AS ANOTHER EXAMPLESF A WOMAN WELL-PREPARED TO CARRY OUT, WITH UNUSUAL BRILLIANCE, INTENSIVE WORK FOR THE NATIONAL WELFARE, WITHOUT LOSING ANY OF HER DISTINGUISHED BEAUTY AND ELEGANT AND DISCRETE BEHAVIOR. DONA MARJORIE DE ODUBER, ANOTHER INCOMPARABLE FIRST LADY.

AFTER THESE DAYS, I'M THINKING SERIOUSLY THAT MIGHT IT NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR WOMEN TO SET THE WORLD TO RIGHTS, W GH THEIR FINE INTELLIGENCE, PURITY OF IDEAS, A BREATH OF ENCHANTMENT, AND THOROUGH AND TOTAL TALENT? I'M THINKING THIS BECAUSE FRANKLY, WE MEN ARE MORE BRUTISH EVERY DAY.

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP, EC (CARTER ROSALYNN)

SUBJECT: TEXT OF MRS. CARTER'S

PRESS CONFERENCE IN QUITO JUNE 2

1. Q. WHAT IF ANYTHING DID YOU DECIDE TODAY CONCERNING THE TRADE TRESTRICTIONS ON ECUADOR IN THE 1974 TRADE ACT?

2. A. IF YOU CAN BELIEVE IT, WE DID NOT EVEN GET TO IT. WE HAD A PROGRAM. WE DISCUSSED POLITICAL RELATIONS, MILITARY RELATIONS, INTERNAL RELATIONS, AND WE WERE GETTING TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL WHEN WE GAVE OUT OF TIME, SO WE'RE GOING TO BE TALKING LATER ABOUT THOSE AND THEY'RE GOING TO BE GIVING ME SOME PAPERS, TOO, WITH OUR POSITIONS ON THEM.

3. Q. DID THE ECUADOREAN OFFICIALS REQUEST ANY ARMS FROM THE U.S.?

4. A. I TALKED WITH THEM ABOUT THE CONCERNS THAT WE'D BEEN TOLD AND DIFFERENT ARMAMENTS AND I EXPLAINED TO THEM JIMMY'S POLICY. I THINK YOU PROBABLY KNOW THAT JIMMY WAS DEVELOPING HIS ARMS PROGRAM WHEN HE HAD TO MAKE THE DECISION ON THE KFIRS. THIS DECISION WAS NOT AIMED AT ECUADOR; IT WAS A GLOBAL DECISION AND NOW JIMMY DOES HAVE A POLICY ON ARMAMENTS. I THINK YOU'RE PORBABLY FAMILIAR WITH THAT. WE'RE GOING TO DECREASE THE SALE OF ARMAMENTS EVERY YEAR... BUT WE'RE GOING TO WORK CLOSER WITH PURCHASERS OF ARMS AND ALSO SUPPLIERS OF ARMS TO TRY TO DECREASE THE ARMAMENTS AND HE HAS A VERY GOOD PROGRAM THAT THEY ARE FAMILIAR WITH AND HAVE THE PROGRAM FOR, BUT WE DID DISCUSS THAT, YES. ANOTHER PART OF THAT WAS THAT THE THIRD PART OF HIS ARMAMENTS PROGRAM IS THAT WE WILL NOT INTRODUCE INTO ANY AREA OF THE WORLD, FIRST, SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS. THEY TOLD ME THAT PERU HAS SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS AND I TILD THEM THAT I WOULD MENTION THAT WITH JIMMY. I ALSO TOLD THEM THAT JIMMY WAS NOT PROMISING ANYTHING THAT HE COULD NOT DELIVER ON AND SO WE DID NOT COME TO ANY DECISION ABOUT IT. I DID NOT MAKE ANY PROMISES TO THEM ABOUT THE SITUATION. JIMMY'S PLAN HAS ALWAYS BEEN TO ELIMINATE THE SPECTER OF WAR AND TO STOP THE ARMAMENT ESCALATION. WE HAD A VE RY GOOD DISCUSSION ABOUT THAT AND I TOLD THEM THAT I WOULD CONVEY TO JIMMY THEIR MESSAGES.

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5. Q. WHAT DID THEY SAY ABOUT--AS FAR AS THEY ARE CONCERNED-- OF THE ARMAMENT SITUATION IN PERU?

6. A. THEY JUST EXPLAINED TO ME THEIR VIEW OF WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN PERU. I WOULD RATHER DISCUSS THAT WITH JIMMY. I THINK THEY CAN TELL YOU. I THINK YOU CAN UNDERSTAND HOW THEY FEEL ABOUT THE PERUVIAN SITUATION. WE SYMPATHIZE... WE UNDERSTAND-- I THINK THAT'S A BETTER WORD--WE UNDERSTAND THEIR FEELING, OF COURSE.

7. Q. IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS, MRS. CARTER, DID YOU DISCUSS WITH THE ECUADOREANS THE SITUATION OF AMERICAN PRISONERS BEING HELD IN ECUADOREAN JAILS ON DRUG CHARGES AWAITING TRIAL, AND ON ANOTHER LEVEL DO YOU INTEND TO BRING THIS TOPIC UP IN PERU AND IN BOGOTA WHERE NOW OVER 200 AMERICANS ARE NOW IN JAIL?

8. A. I DID NOT SPEAK WITH HIM ABOUT THAT. WE DID SPEAK-- HE GAVE ME A GENERAL OVERALL VIEW OF THE POLICY, THE PROGRAMS, THE FOREIGN POLICY, THEIR FEELINGS, THE FEELINGS AND THE PROBLEMS THAT FACE ECUADOR. AND NOT ONLY THE PROBLEMS, BUT ALSO THEIR HOPES: FOR INSTANCE, THEY'RE IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING A DEMOCRATIC FORM OF GOVERNMENT. HE TOLD ME ABOUT THEIR SUPPORT OF HUMAN RIGHTS EFFORTS. THEY HAVE SIGNED THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS. AND, WELL, THEY ARE HOPEFUL THAT THEY WILL RATIFY THIS. AND THEN I GAVE HIM AN OVERVIEW OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY. WE DID DISCUSS HUMAN RIGHTS AND THAT SITUATION. WE HAD TIME ONLY IN THE END, WE CAME BACK VERY QUICKLY TO IT, TO TALK ABOUT STRENGTHENING THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH WILL BE COMING UP AT THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN GRENADA IN JUNE.

9. Q. YOU WILL BE MEETING AGAIN MRS. CARTER?

10. A. THIS EVENING AT THE BANQUET, YES, WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSIONS. WE HOPE WE'LL DO THE REST OF THIS PAPER. IT WAS A VERY GOOD, VERY INFORMATIVE, I THINK VALUABLE, DISCUSSION FOR BOTH OF OUR COUNTRIES. THE LAST ONES WERE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL. WE TOUCHED ON IT BRIEFLY IN THE OPENING OVERALL CONVERSATIONS BUT WE DID NOT GET DOWN TO THE SPECIFICS IN THAT LAST BECAUSE I HAD TO BE HERE AT 1:15 AND IT WAS ALREADY 1:15 SO WE JUST HAD TO STOP.

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SUBJECT: DAILY PRESS SUMMARY, THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 1977

NEW YORK TIMES

AP FROM QUITO ON THE INSIDE

LEAD: "ROSALYNN CARTER ARRIVED TODAY ON THE THIRD STOP OF HER GOOD-WILL TOUR OF SEVEN CARIBBEAN AND LATIN NATIONS AND WAS GIVEN THE KEYS TO THE CITY BY MAYOR SIXTO BILLAN."

OTHER POINTS:

- SHE WAS MET AT AIRPORT BY WIVES OF JUNTA.
- SHE REVIEWED HONOR GUARD.
- TOMORROW SHE VISITS WITH MEMBERS OF THE JUNTA.

IN SAN JOSE PRESS CONFERENCE SHE SIDE-STEPPED QUESTION ABOUT VESCO SAYING "IT'S JUST NOT FOR ME TO DISCUSS." JUSTICE HAS MATTER UNDER REVIEW.

- COSTA RICAN OFFICIALS SAID VESCO'S ELIGIBILITY FOR COSTA RICAN CITIZENSHIP WOULD BE REVIEWED.
- VESCO'S NAME HAS BEEN LINKED TO POLITICAL SCANDAL IN COSTA RICA.
- A WOMEN'S GROUP LEFT LETTER WITH MRS. CARTER SAYING "YOUR GOVERNMENT HAS ACTED WITH DELIBERATE WEAKNESS IN NOT REQUESTING EXTRADITION OF MR. VESCO."
- MRS. CARTER SAID AMERICANS ARE 100 PER CENT FOR JIMMY'S VIEW ON HUMAN RIGHTS.
- MRS. CARTER TOLD PRESS CONFERENCE SHE HAD SPOKEN WITH HER HUSBAND DAILY.

BALTIMORE SUN

CARRIED SAME AP REPORT CARRIED BY NY TIMES ON THE INSIDE

WASHINGTON POST

SUSANNA MCBEE FROM QUITO ON THE INSIDE; FRONT PAGE PIX WITH MR. AND MRS. ODUBER.

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LEAD: "ROSALYNN CARTER SAID TODAY THAT PRESIDENT CARTER IS TAKING A 'NEW APPROACH' TO LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY, 'NOT PROMISING THINGS HE CANNOT DELIVER.'"

OTHER POINTS:

-- AT NEWS CONFERENCE IN SAN JOSE SHE SAID POLICY IS TO AVOID RAISING EXPECTATIONS ABOUT ASSISTANCE AND TRADE ADVANTAGES.

-- U.S. OFFICIALS WITH MRS. CARTER SAID HER COMMENTS WERE FIRST ELABORATION OF NEW POLICY SIGNALLED BUT NOT ARTICULATED BY PRESIDENT CARTER IN APRIL 14 SPEECH.

-- APRIL 14 SPEECH, OFFICIALS ADDED, PRESIDENT MADE FEW COMMITMENTS BECAUSE CONGRESS IN NO MOOD TO INCREASE FOREIGN AID AND GOVERNMENT PLEDGED TO ASSIST POOREST OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. MOST LATIN COUNTRIES CONSIDERED MIDDLE INCOME.

-- SHE TOLD PRESS WE UNDERSTAND COSTA RICAN DESIRE FOR MORE MEAT SALES TO U.S.; QUOTA SYSTEM IS UNDER REVIEW; THE QUOTAS ARE SET -- WE CANNOT PROMISE TO INCREASE THE QUOTA; WE ARE REVIEWING THE SITUATION.

-- U.S. OFFICIALS SAID MRS. CARTER WAS MAKING DISTINCTION BETWEEN CURRENT POLICY AND THAT OF FORD. KISSINGER PROMISED QUOTA INCREASE HE COULD NOT DELIVER.

-- MRS. CARTER SAID SHE HAD NOT DISCUSSED VESCO WITH COSTA RICAN LEADERS.

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JURATE KAZICKAS FROM QUITO

LEAD: "ROSALYNN CARTER, IN ECUADOR ON THIRD STOP ON HER LATIN AMERICAN GOOD-WILL TOUR, COMPLIMENTED THE ANDEAN NATIONS' RECORD ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND PLANS OF ITS MILITARY RULERS TO RESTORE CIVILIAN RULE."

OTHER POINTS:

-- QUOTES FROM MRS. CARTER'S ARRIVAL STATEMENT.

-- SHE STOOD IN CHILLY AIR AND SHOOK HANDS FOR HALF AN HOUR.

SHE BEAMED WHEN W.B. CARROL TOLD HER HE CAME FROM COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

TV NETWORK EVENING NEWS PROGRAMS DID NOT REPORT ON MRS.

CARTER'S VISIT.

NBC-TV "TODAY"

JUDY WOODRUFF: "COSTA RICA HAS WHAT IS PROBABLY THE BEST SYSTEM OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN LATIN AMERICA. MRS. CARTER PAID TRIBUTE TO THAT WITH A VISIT TO A SCHOOL FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED AND CHILDREN WITH OTHER SPECIAL LEARNING PROBLEMS. A GROUP OF MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN SHOWED WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES. LATER, AT A NEWS CONFERENCE, THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE TALKED ABOUT HER HUSBAND'S COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING HUMAN RIGHTS."

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(MRS. CARTER'S REMARKS)

WOODRUFF: "LATE YESTERDAY MRS. CARTER FLEW TO ECUADOR WHERE SHE WILL BE UNTIL FRIDAY."

CBS-TV "MORNING NEWS"

DAVID DOW: "THE NEIGHBORS OF THE "(BLANK) SPECIAL SCHOOL" CAME EARLY TO PICK UP AMERICAN FLAGS AND AWAIT A GLIMPSE OF ROSALYNN CARTER. FOR MRS. CARTER, THE VISIT WAS A THREE-WAY GOODWILL MISSION -- GOODWILL FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS, ONE OF HER SPECIAL INTERESTS; GOODWILL FOR THE U.S.; AND GOODWILL FOR HER NATIVE STATE. THE PEACE CORPS ADVISOR AT THIS RURAL SCHOOL FOR MENTALLY RETARDED AND OTHER CHILDREN WITH LEARNING PROBLEMS IS A GEORGIAN NAMED BERLE HORTON. MS. HORTON HAS ORGANIZED AN EXCHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN THIS SCHOOL AND A SIMILAR ONE NEAR ATLANTA, WHICH HELPS EXPLAIN THE EXERCISE MUSIC AT THIS SPANISH-SPEAKING SCHOOL. FOR THE MOST PART MRS. CARTER'S COSTA RICAN VISIT WAS INTENDED AS A REINFORCEMENT OF THE TRADITIONALLY FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THIS CENTRAL AMERICAN DEMOCRACY AND OF HER HUSBAND'S HUMAN RIGHTS INITIATIVES. SHE REPEATEDLY PRAISED COSTA RICA'S HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD, AND THE ONLY NEGATIVE NOTE IN AN OTHERWISE HARMONIOUS VISIT WAS A LETTER TO HER FROM A GROUP OF WOMEN CRITICIZING THE PRESENCE OF FUGITIVE U.S. FINANCIER ROBERT VESCO IN THEIR COUNTRY. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE SHE WAS ASKED IF THE U.S. SHOULD PRESS FOR VESCO'S EXTRADITION."

(MRS. CARTER'S REMARKS)

DOW: "VESCO BECOMES ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR COSTA RICAN CITIZENSHIP, AND THUS POSSIBLY AVOID EXTRADITION, LATER THIS MONTH. VANCE

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HEREWITH JUNE 3RD EDITORIAL IN PRO GOVERNMENT EXCELSIOR.

A SYMBOLIC MOMENT IN MRS. CARTER'S VISIT

THERE WAS NO NEED TO BE NEAR HER; JUST TO WATCH HER ON TV WAS ENOUGH TO NOTE THAT WE WERE VISITED BY AN EXTRAORDINARY WOMAN. A WOMAN WHOSE EXCEPTIONALITY RESIDES PRECISELY -- AS THE WRITER JOSE MARIN CANAS SAYS IN THIS SAME PAGE -- IN HER SIMPLICITY.

SHE IS A HOUSEWIFE, MODEST, GRACEFUL, SWEETLY ELEGANT, ALWAYS SMILING, AN EXACT AND STRICT REPRESENTATION OF THE MOST VALUED FEMININE VIRTUES: NOT ONLY THOSE RECOMMENDED AND PRAISED BY OUR ANCESTORS, BUT ALSO THOSE THAT TODAY'S WORLD APPRECIATES AND ESTEEMS, AS WOMEN BECOME ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN LIFE, NOT ONLY IN THEIR HOMES BUT ALSO IN THEIR COMMUNITIES, THEIR COUNTRIES, THE WORLD.

AN INTERESTING FEATURE OF MRS. CARTER'S VISIT IS THAT TO DATE, IT HAS NOT RECEIVED ITS AUTHENTIC MEANING, OR SYMBOLISM, IF YOU LIKE.

IT HAS BEEN SAID IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY WHY OUR COUNTRY WAS INCLUDED IN MRS. CARTER'S TRIP. WE UNDERSTAND: THE U.S. RESPECTS AND FEELS AFFECTION FOR OUR WAY OF LIVING, OUR DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM, OUR LOVE FOR LIBERTY, AND FOR EVERYTHING WE ARE.

BUT NOW THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS FIGHTING FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, IT WAS NOT ENOUGH THAT HIS WIFE JUST VISITED COSTA RICA, WHAT WAS INTENDED WAS TO GIVE SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO AN ATTITUDE, A THOUGHT, AN IDEAL. AND THIS WAS OBVIOUS WHEN A VISIT TO THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL WAS INCLUDED IN HER COSTA RICAN SCHEDULE.

IT WAS NOT A PROTOCOL VISIT. PROTOCOL DOES NOT REQUIRE IT. WITHIN HER 24 HOUR PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES THIS WAS ALMOST UNEXPECTED. BUT MRS. CARTER WANTED TO VISIT THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL, THAT IS, THE ORGANISM WHICH EMBODIES OUR POLITICAL WILL, OUR ELECTORAL PLURALITY, OUR LIBERTIES, THAT ORGANISM THAT SYMBOLIZES ALL THAT COSTA RICA IS AND CLAIMS TO BE. A VISIT TO THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL WAS THE MOST SYMBOLIC AND SIGNIFICANT ACT, THE ONE THAT HONORS COSTA RICA THE MOST. OF ALL OF THOSE SHE COULD HAVE ACCOMPLISHED DURING HER VISIT.

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THERE WAS NO BETTER WAY TO LEAVE A VIVID IMPRESSION OF THE CONCERNS OF HER HUSBAND'S GOVERNMENT, WHAT HE EXPECTS, AND WHAT HE DESIRES FOR MEN AND COUNTRIES. OUR ELECTORAL SYSTEM IS WHAT WE ARE MOST PROUD OF, AND WHAT LEGALLY INCARNATES OUR EXISTENCE AS A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY.

MRS. CARTER WANTED TO SEE THE INSTITUTION WHICH OVERSEES OUR ELECTIONS. IT MUST HAVE BEEN FOR SOME REASON. MURCHIE

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PRESS COVERAGE MRS. CARTER'S TRIP CON
QUEN ON INSIDE PAGES MONTEVIDEO
DAILIES.

TUESDAY EVENING MUNDO COLOR CARRIED AP DISPATCH DATED
QUITO, ON PAGE 12, UNDER FIVE-COLUMN HEADING, "WE'RE CONCERNED
ABOUT MAINTAINING THE SECURITY OF THE HEMISPHERE" TOGETHER WITH
TWO-COLUMN AP PICTURE OF MRS. CARTER WATCHING COSTA RICAN DANCE
GROUP.

EL DIARIO SAME EVENING PUBLISHED A DIFFERENT AP DISPATCH FROM QUITO,
ALSO ON INSIDE PAGE, UNDER TWOEACOLUMN HEADING, "ROSALYNN
CARTER IN QUITO ON THIRD LEG OF HER TRIP."

FRIDAY MORNING LA MANANA CARRIED REPORT ON PAGE THREE, BASED ON UPI,
LATIN-REUTER AND ANSA CABLES, UNDER THREE-COLUMN HEADING, "INCIDENTS
IN QUITO DURING ROSALYNN CARTER'S VISIT" WITH ADJOINING TWO-COLUMN
UPI PHOTS OF MRS. CATER WITH ECUADOREAN MILITARY OFFICERS.

EL DIA LIKEWISE PUBLISHED A SIMILAR THREE-COLUMN PHOTO OF MRS. CARTER
WITH ECUADOREAN MILITARY, ON PAGE THREE, ABOVE LATIN-REUTER DISPATCH
UNDER TWO-COLUMN HEADING, "QUITO: CARTER'S WIFE AND GOVERNMENT ADDRES
SERIOUS MATTERS."

EL PAIS RAN AP REPORT FROM QUITO, ON PAGE FOUR, UNDER FIVE-COLUMN
HEADING, "ROSALYNN CARTER: ECUADOR NOTES MILITARY UNREST CONCERNING
NEIGHBORING PERU."

TELEVISION CHANNEL 12 ALSO BEGAN SHOWING OF IMV NEWS CLIPS ON MRS.
CARTER'S TRIP DURING EVENING NEWSCAST.

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1. SUMMARY: COSTA RICANS AND GOCR VIEWED MRS. CARTER'S VISIT AS MANIFESTATION OF TRADITIONAL FRIENDSHIP, SHARED DEMOCRATIC VALUES AND INSTITUTIONS, AND AGREEMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES. SUBSTANTIVE TALKS COVERED HOW US AND COSTA RICA CAN COOPERATE IN HUMAN RIGHTS OBJECTIVES, TRADE, CENTRAL AMERICAN/VARIEBEAN PROBLEMS. MRS. CARTER'S RECEPTION WAS WARM AND AT TIMES EFFUSIVE. MRS. CARTER GAINED RESPECT OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, MEDIA, AND PUBLIC IN GENERAL WITH HER "KNOWLEDGE" OF PROBLEMS OF LATIN AMERICA, HER SURETY AND HER APLOME ACCORDING TO COUNTRY'S LEADING NEWSPAPER. END SUMMARY.

2. MRS. CARTER'S 24-HOUR VISIT TO COSTA RICA HAS BEEN VIEW

HERE BY GOVERNMENT LEADERS, MEDIA, AND AVERAGE COSTA RICANS ALIKE AS A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL BLEND OF GOOD WILL AGTH SUBSTANCE, AND A SOLID DEMONSTRATION OF INTEREST OF CARTER ADMINISTRATION IN COSTA RICA AND LATIN AMERICA.

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3. MRS. CARTER RECEIVED REGULAR OUTPOURINGS OF GOOD WILL. TONE OF VISIT WAS SET BY WARM, EFFUSIVE, COLORFUL AIRPORT RECEPTION MAY 31, WITH PRESENCE OF HUNDREDS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN WAVING US AND COSTA RICAN FLAGS FROM BALCONY AND ON TARMAC. THIS TYPE SCENE WAS REPEATED IN SPITE OF AFTERNOON AND EVENING RAIN, IN VISITS TO FOREIGN MINISTRY, PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, BNC, AND NATIONAL THEATER.

THERE WAS AN ESPECIALLY LARGE TURNOUT JUNE 1 AT THE SCHOOL IN ALAJUELA. AT SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL A HIGHLY FRIENDLY ADULT CROWD FROM WHOM "VIVAS" WERE HEARD FILLED THE STREET THE LENGTH OF THE BLOCK.

4. SUBSTANTIVE NATURE OF VISIT PERMEATED WELCOMING REMARKS OF FONMIN FACIO, COMMENTARY BY FACIO AND PRESIDENT ODUER TO MEDIA AND, OF COURSE, MRS. CARTER'S STATEMENTS. HUMAN RIGHTS AND STRONG TIES WITH DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES WERE THE BASIC THEMES HIGHLIGHTED. (19, .3, 1-:89 35 7: 59,3 8, 8 -SRPORT REMARKS, WHICH QUOTED EXTENSIVELY FROM PRESIDENT CARTER'S NOTRE DAME ADDRESS, AND STATES:

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IN AIRPORT REMARKS,

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DISCUSS REGIONAL PROBLEMS WITH POLITICAL LEADERS...
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"WE WELCOME MRS. CARTER AS THE EXQUISITE LADY WHO HAS BEEN A DIGNIFIED COMPANION OF HER ILLUSTRIOUS HUSBAND, PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER, IN THE REALM OF HIS HOME, HIS WORK AND IN THE POLITICAL AGJVA. WE GREET HER ALSO AS A VEKAT CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES WHO, WITHOUT LOOSING HER ENCHANTING FEMININITY, HAS STRUGGLED FOR THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN AND WHO HAS TAKEN GREAT INTEREST IN THE SOLUTION OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS OF HER COUNTRY."

AFTER EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S FOREIGN POLICY AND HUMAN RIGHTS OBJECTIVES, FACIO SAID: "YOU MAY INFORM YOUR HUSBAND THAT IN THIS SMALL CORNER OF AMERICA DEMOCRACY IS EFFECTIVELY PRACTICED, HUMAN RIGHTS ARE RESPECTED.

"WE HAVE STRONG HOPES THAT IN THE PERSON OF PRESIDENT CARTER THE TRUE FREE WORLD HAS FOUND, AT LAST, A GREAT LEADER, CAPABLE OF INJECTING DEMOCRACY WITH THAT GREAT FIGHTING FAITH THAT IT NEEDS IN ORDER TO RESIST THE ATTACKS FROM ITS ENEMIES AND TO PROMOTE FREEDOM AND JUSTICE IN ALL REGIONS OF THE WORLD."

5. AFTER ONE-HOUR BILATERAL MEETING AT CASA PRESIDENCIAL MAY 31, PRESIDENT ODUER STATED THAT HE AND MRS. CARTER SPOKE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN SPECIFIC TERMS OF HOW TO IMPROVE INSTITUTIONS THAT DEAL WITH THEM IN THE UN AND OAS. ODUER ALSO SAID THAT HE SPOKE TO MRS. CARTER OF PRIORITY TREATMENT--IN TERMS OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE--FOR COUNTRIES THAT RESPECT HUMAN RIGHTS.

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6. MRS. CARTER'S PUBLIC REMARKS DURING VISIT EMPHASIZED DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN TWO DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES, WAYS TO COOPERATE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND OPPORTUNITY TO EXPALIN US VIEWS ON ISSUES OF MUTURAL CONCERN. AT PRESS CONFERENCE JUNE 1 (TEXT TRANSMITTED SEPARATELY) SHE RESPONDED TO QUESTIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS (WHAT IS SOURCE OF CARTER FAMILY "LOVE AND DEVOTION" TO THIS THEME; WHETHER IN US HUMAN RIGHTS ARE RESPECTED 100 PERCENT, IF US SHOULD PROVIDE INDUCEMENTS TO COU

RIES THAT RESPECT HUMAN RIGHTS); BELIZE; COSTA RICA'S MEAT QUOTA AND TRADE PROBLEMS WITH US IN GENERAL. REGARDING LATTER, MRS. CARTER SAID SHE WOULD TALK WITH PRESIDENT RE GREATER MARKET ACCESS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, BUT THAT PRESIDENT'S APPROACH IS "NOT TO PROMISE THINGS THAT WE CANNOT DELIVER." MRS. CARTER RECEIVED QUESTIONS ON VESCO FROM US NEWS-PEOPLE ONLY--A POINT THAT COSTA RICAN MEDIA DID NOT MISS. SHE STATED THAT VESCO WAS NOT DISCUSSED AND THAT "ONLY ANSWER I CAN GIVE YOU IS THAT QUESTION IS UNDER REVIEW BY OUR JUSTICE DEPT."

7. INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES EMPHASIZED DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF COSTA RICA THAT ARE OF SPECIAL PRIDE. MRS. CARTER'S VISIT TO SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL WAS WIDELY ACCEPTED BY COSTA RICANS AS FINEST TRIBUTE THAT SHE COULD PAY TO COSTA RICA'S DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM. MRS. CARTER STATED AT PRESS CONFERENCE THAT VISIT TO TSE WAS ONE OF MOST IMPORTANT THINGS SHE DID ON VISIT BECAUSE EXISTENCE OF THIS INDEPENDENT INSTITUTION SETS COSTA RICA APART FROM WORL. COSTA RICANS LEFT POLITICS AT THE DOOR TO ATTEND NATIONAL THEATER YOUTH SYMPHONY PERFORMANCE AND RECEPTION AFTERWARD OFFERED BY PRESIDENT AND MRS. ODUBER. MRS. CARTER'S EXPRESSED HOPE TO HAVE NATIONAL YOUTH SYMPHONY PLAY AT WHITE HOUSE WAS MOST FAVORABLY RECEIVED; COSTA RICANS--INCLUDING PRESIDENT ODUBER--ARE BEGINNING TO TALK ABOUT IT ALREADY. RECI-PROCAL LUNCHEON BROUGHT GOOD CROSS SECTION OF COSTA RICANS TOGETHER IN INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE THAT COSTA RICANS LIKE. MRS. CARTER'S GRACIOUS REMARKS GIVEN ENTIRELY IN SPANISH WERE PARTICULARLY WELL RECEIVED. VISIT TO SCHOOL IN ALAJUELA GAVE MRS. CARTER OPPORTUNITY TO DEMONSTRATE RESPECT FOR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AND ITS SERVICES IN AREA OFTEN WOEFULLY NEGLECTED IN LATIN AMERICA; EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN. IT PROVIDED PRESS WITH HUMAN INTEREST ELEMENT THAT BALANCED IMAGE OF VISIT NICELY. AT BNC MRS. CARTER PUBLICLY RECOGNIZED THE VIGOROUS CULTURAL ROLE OF BI-NATIONAL CENTER AT SAME TIME THAT SHE GREETED EMPLOYEE MISSION.

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8. MEDIA COVERAGE WAS PROMINENT, EXTENSIVE, ACCURATE AND HIGHLY FAVORABLE. REPORTERS BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY COMMENTED ON THE WARM FEELINGS, POSITIVE IMPRESSIONS MRS. CARTER GENERATED, AND ON HER SIMPLICITY AND HUMAN QUALITIES. MOST NEWS STORIES EMPHASIZED MRS. CARTER'S FAVORABLE REMARKS ON COSTA RICA'S HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD AND DEVOTION TO DEMOCRATIC IDEALS, AND HER REAFFIRMATION OF U.S. COMMITMENTS TO THESE VALUES. LEADING DAILY "LA NACION" JUNE 1 HIGHLIGHTED MRS. CARTER'S ARRIVAL STATEMENT REMARKS THAT "COSTA RICA HAS BEEN THE SOURCE OF CREATIVE IDEAS IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS AREA" WHILE PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY "EXCELSIOR" JUNE 2 FOCUSED ON HER COMMENT AT THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL (TSE) THAT THAT INSTITUTION DISTINGUISHES COSTA RICA'S DEMOCRATIC VALUES BEFORE THE WORLD. T.V. COVERAGE AND LEADING RADIO STATIONS EMPHASIZED THIS ASPECT AS WELL. OPPOSITION DAILY "LA REPUBLICA" EMPHASIZED BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST, PARTICULARLY TRADE. JUNE 2 "LA REPUBLICA" LEAD QUOTED FIRST LADY'S JUNE 1 PRESS CONFERENCE COMMENT THAT U.S. UNDERSTANDS COSTA RICA'S PROBLEM IN GAINING ACCESS TO U.S. MARKETS. ONLY DISCORDANT NOTE IN OTHERWISE POSITIVE MEDIA COVERAGE WAS UNIFORMLY EXPRESSED MEDIA IRRITATION WITH SECURITY EXCESSES OF U.S.S. (SEPTEL).

9. COMMENT: COSTA RICANS WELCOMED MRS. CARTER'S VISIT AS MANIFESTATION OF THE TRADITIONAL BILATERAL FRIENDSHIP THAT EXISTS, AND AS RECOGNITION OF SHARED DEMOCRATIC VALUES AND

STRONG COSTA RICAN POSITIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. AT SAME TIME, NATURAL RESERVOIR OF GOOD WILL FOR THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION MANIFESTED ITSELF. COSTA RICANS WELCOMED AND APPRECIATED THE ATTENTION, AND WERE PARTICULARLY PROUD OF THE VISIT EMPHASIS ON AN INSTITUTION THAT IS ABOVE REPROACH IN THESE POLITICALLY ACTIVE DAYS--THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL. THEY AND COSTA RICA'S LEADERS ALSO CAME AWAY W

Y A GENUINE RESPECT FOR MRS. CARTER'S ABILITIES IN DEALING WITH THE ISSUES. LEADING DAILY "LA NACION" SUMMED IT UP WELL IN COMMENTARY ON HER JUNE 1 PRESS CONFERENCE: "SHE SHOWED GREAT KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT CONCERN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, AND SHE DISPLAYED GREAT SURETY AND APLOMB." WE AGREE.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING EL DIARIO FRONT-PAGED AP PIX OF MRS. CARTER WITH GROUP OF JAMAICAN CHILDREN AND ONE HER ARRIVAL IN SAN JOSE. AP DISPATCH DATED SAN JOSE CARRIED PAGE TWO UNDER FIVE-COLUMN HEADING, "MRS. CAGWER WELCOMED IN COSTA RICA: 'AS IF CARTER HAD COME'". SIDEBAR LATIN REPORT FROM QUITO CARRIED TWO-COLUMN HEADING "(FIRST) LADY EXPECTED THIS AFTERNOON IN QUITO."

MUNDO COLOR SAME EVENING RAN SAME AP REPORT FROM SAN JOSE PAGE 10 CHILE ADDING STUART SCHWARTZ STORY FROM NEW YORK TIMES UNDER FIVE-COLUMN HEADING "NGZRFALYNN MAINTAINS HER RIGHT TO BE HER HUSBAND'S AMBASSADOR." SIDEBAR AP DISPATCH FROM LWXA FOLLOWED UNDER TWO-COLUMN HEADING, "TODAY IN QUITO, AND IN LIMA FRIDAY." SPREAD ILLUSTRATED WITH THREE AP PIX SHOWING MRS. CARTER'S AIRPORT ARRIVAL IN SAN JOSE AND WITH CARTER VISITING NURSERY IN KINGSTON AND GREETING PEACE CORP VOLUNTEERS IN JAMAICA.

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BREAKING STORY TO AFTERNOON COUNTERPARTS. LA MANANA IGNORED STORY
COMPLETELY WHILE OTHER TWO MORNING DAILIES THURSDAY LIMITED COVERAGE
TO REPORTING NEWS AGENCY DISPATCHES DATED QUITO. EL PAIS CARRIED
EFE REPORT ON INSIDE PAGE AS ONE-COLUMN BOX HEADED "ROSALYNN IN
QUITO," EL DIA PUBLISHED SIMILAR UPI DISPATCH, ALSO ON INSIDE PAGE,
UNDER ONE-COLUMN HEADING, "CARTER'S WIFE ARRIVED IN ECUADOR"
TOGETHER WITH UPI CAPTION FROM SAN JOSE SHOWING MRS. CARTER WATCHING
TYPICAL COSTA RICAN DANCE GROUP.

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Your pooler was not allowed in meeting with Foreign Minister Gonzalo Facio until picture session at end. Meeting lasted about ~~25~~²⁸ minutes. Those present ~~included~~ were Mrs. Carter, Todean, Mrs. Vance, Bob Pastor, Costa Rican Ambassador to the U. S. Rodolfo Silva, ~~Foreign Minister~~ Facio, U. S. Ambassador-Designate Marvin Weissman, ~~and~~ Charge d'affaires Lowell Kilday. Session apparently was as billed: a courtesy call without substantive discussion.

At the end of the session photogs^{V. Carl} allowed in to shoot smiling Rosalyn^N and Facio, seated. Afterwards Facio escorted Mrs. Carter to a nearby room for introductions to ~~receiving line~~ about 20 foreign ministry staffers in receiving line. Mrs. Carter said "Gracias," as she departed amid applause.

On departure from Foreign Ministry building, a woman with a small child ^{pressed forward} and an elderly woman ~~suggested~~ from crowd of ~~25~~²³ about 20 nearby bystanders to shake hands and say hello to Mrs. Carter as she entered her car for ride to presidential palace.

The meeting with ~~Ex~~ President Oduber and cast already listed by Mary Hoyt lasted, by my watch, an hour and 15 minutes. No opportunities for entry during meeting. Photo session following meeting, with Mrs. Carter, Oduber and ~~and~~ Margerie Oduber was without audible comment.

She left the President Palace ~~immediately~~ with Oduber in light rain, waving to small crowd~~ed~~ gathered around motorcade cars and shaking a few hands.

In the receiving line at the Bi-National Center, an assembled receiving line of students presented Mrs. Carter a small, model flower cart, a kilo package of Costa Rican ~~export~~ coffee and orchid corsages for both Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Vance. A sign in Spanish said, "The students of the Costa Rica Cultural Center extend you a warm welcome." ^{as she met them,} There were greetings to students, including a couple of audible "mucho gustos" (spanish words for "it's a pleasure to meet you.")

~~dd-6p~~

In the library at the cultural center, Mrs. Carter was presented ~~with~~ key to Costa Rica by City Council President Francisco Amerling. Pool reporter not allowed in, but those that were said most ~~ad libbed~~^{perhaps all} of 13 City Council members were present. Mrs. Carter reportedly ~~thanked~~ a brief thank you ~~speech~~ in Spanish --about ~~2x~~ same length as Airport spanish segment.

dd 6p

PRESS SCHEDULE

Costa Rica, May 31 - June 1, 1977

Tuesday, May 31

- 12:30 p.m. Arrive Santamaria International Airport, San Jose.
Met by Mrs. Oduber, Foreign Minister, and Mrs. Facio;
greetings.
- Proceed to press area for ceremony.
Wires proceed to wire car.
- 12:55 p.m. Arrive Hotel Cariari
- 1:45 p.m. Press bus departs for Foreign Ministry. Small pool of
three remain for motorcade -- Reuters, one writer,
Weather providing, there will be a flat bed awaiting
press in town that will ~~provide~~ motorcade for approximately
six blocks. *Procade*
- Photographers and cameras will have time to change from
bus to flat bed prior to Mrs. Carter's arrival.
- 2:45 p.m. Depart Foreign Ministry for Casa Presidencial. Outside
press coverage of arrival only.
- 2:50 p.m. Press leave Casa Presidencial for Centro Cultural.
- 4:35 p.m. Depart Centro Cultural enroute to Hotel Cariari.
Tour pool - 2 camera, wire
- 6:40 p.m. *2 line*
Press bus leaves for National Theater.
- 7:20 p.m. Mrs. Carter arrives National Theater for performance by
Youth Symphony and reception hosted by President and
Mrs. Oduber.
- 10:00 p.m. Press briefing on scheduled events June 1 - hotel
Press Center.
- 10:20 p.m. Press bus returns to Hotel Costa Rica for those wishing
to dine in the city.
- 12:00 p.m. Press bus leaves Hotel Costa Rica for Hotel Cariari.

Wednesday, June 1

- 6:00 a.m. Press Center opens
- 8:35 a.m. Press bus leaves for Marta Saborio Fonseca School in
Alajuela.
- 9:30 a.m. Press pool bus or two cars leave school for Supreme
Electoral Tribunal.
- Two wire photos, 1 camera photo, 3 cameras, 2 wire writers,
1 pool writer, Stan Cloud

9:45 a.m. Press bus departs school enroute to Hotel Cariari.

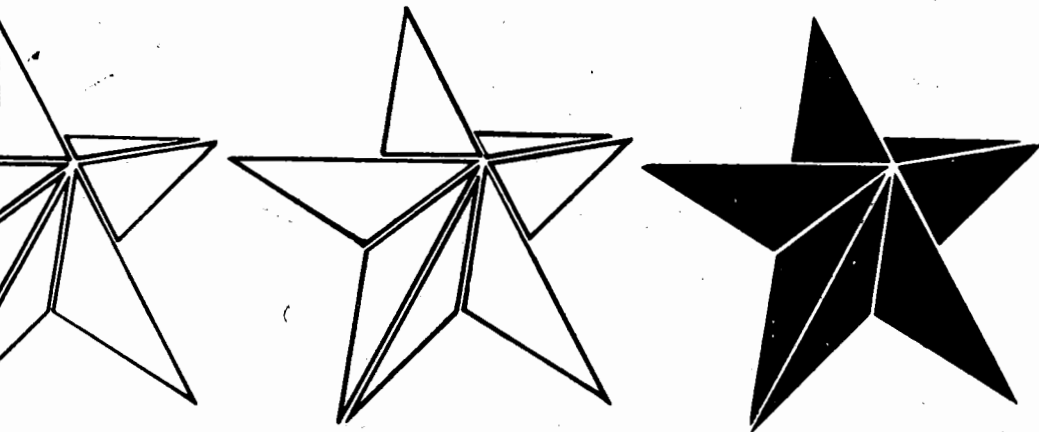
11:20 a.m. Press Conference - Cariari Club.

11:50 a.m. Press files

12:00 p.m. Informal reception for President and Mrs. Oduber hosted by Mrs. Carter at hotel. (2 photo) wires, Reuters, 3 networks -- no sound -- 2 color

12:40 p.m. Press bus leaves for airport

1:10 p.m. Depart for Quito



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FIRST LADY ROSALYNN CARTER

A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

First Lady Rosalynn Carter is preparing to embark may 30 on a two week, seven-nation tour of Latin America that will take her to Jamaica, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Perú, Brasil, Colombia and Venezuela.

The White House says Mrs. Carter is making the trip "on behalf of the President to express his friendship and goodwill and to conduct substantive talks with the leaders of the these nations on issues of bilateral, regional and global importance".

The trip will be Mrs. Carter's first foreign Journey since her husband became President on January 20. She will be accompanied by Mrs. Cyrus Vance wife of the U.S. Secretary of State.

Rosalynn Smith Carter was born in the Southwest Georgia farming town of Plains in 1927. The daughter of Allie Murray and Edgar Smith, one of four children, she grew up in a family with a strong commitment to church and community.

She was educated in the public School system of Plains, where one of her schoolmates was Jimmy Carter. Rosalynn continued her education at Georgia Southwestern College, where she graduated in 1946. That same year, Jimmy Carter was graduated from U.S. Naval Academy and during the summer he and Rosalynn were married.

For the next seven yaers, Mrs. Carter traveled around the world with her husband while he served in the U.S. Navy. In this period, their thrre sons were born: Jack (1947), Chip (1950) and Jeff (1952), daughter Amy Carter was born in Plains in 1967.

In 1953, after the death of Jimmy Carter's father , the Carters moved back to Plains where they opened a small fertilizer and seed business. Rosalynn began to help her husband with the financial accounts. A few months and several accounting courses later, she was working full-time with him in the business, which expanded into a successful supply store and warehouse for area farmers.

"Jimmy has always felt I have capabilities and should do those things important to me", she has stated. " back.in those days I would advise him about the business and we became good friends and partners and developed this respect we have for each other . He always listens to me, but he doesn't always react. I sometimes have very different opinions".

In 1962, when Jimmy Carter was elected to the State Senate in Georgia, Mrs. Carter was introduced to political life and has been very active in politics ever since. After serving two terms in the State Senate, her husband was elected Governor of Georgia in 1970. Rosalynn Carter campaigned actively for him, making speeches all over the State on his behalf.

As First Lady of Georgia, Mrs. Carter devoted much energy to programs for mental health. She served on the Governor's commission to improve service for the mentally and emotionally handicapped which presented several recommendations to then-governor Carter, many of which were ultimately passed into law. She also served as a volunteer at the Georgia Regional Hospital in Atlanta and for five years was honorary chairman for the Georgia special olympics for retarded children.

In addition to her work for the handicapped, Mrs. Carter was active in environmental causes and supervised the State's roadside beautification plan.

In January 1975, when his gubernatorial term ended, the Carters returned to Plains, where Rosalynn would soon return to the campaign trail, this time in support of her husband's bid for the Presidency.

Members of the Carter campaign staff give her considerable credit for helping her husband win the 1976 election. They describe her as a close political partner and adviser to her husband and as a woman who is knowledgeable about the issues and willing to speak up.

Mrs. Carter believes in being an active First Lady . Since her husband took office in January, she has continued her interest in mental health issues, this time at a national level as honorary chairman of the President's commission on mental health.

Mrs. Carter has also been working on programs to assist the elderly in the United States, " to spotlight the needs of these people and get services to them," she said in a recent interview. Another focus of her activities has been the " friendship force ", a privately operated cultural exchange program.

And, she has been taking intensive courses in Spanish in preparation for her upcoming trip.

A First Lady is in a position to know the needs of the country and to do something about them, " Mrs. Carter has observed. "I think that the wives of Presidents need to be informed and to speak out on matters that are important to them. I intend to do that.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 5, 1978

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TO: BOB PASTOR

FROM: JIM FALLOWS *Jim*

SUBJECT: Talking Points -- Visit to Embassy Employees
Costa Rica

1) Whenever President Carter /Jimmy/ and I visit foreign nations, one of the stops we always try hardest to make is to the staff of our American Embassies. We know how difficult your job is as you represent what is best about our country, defend it during times of challenge, and do your best to ensure that our own government, from the President on down, has a full understanding of the country in which you serve. We also know how important it is to show our appreciation to you. Sometimes you may wonder whether anyone is listening when you send your dispatches, whether anyone notices when you do your daily work to improve relations between nations; whether anyone cares that you are here. Part of the reason I have come here today is to show you that we do listen, and notice, and care, and that we are grateful for your work.

2) This era of our nation's diplomacy carries special responsibilities and special opportunities for our overseas representatives, especially those who serve in a country like Costa Rica. For the last year, the President has been trying hard to ensure that all our foreign relations reflect our most basic principles as Americans. In that same time, he has been determined to open a new chapter in our dealings with Latin America, one in which we will deal as equals, with respect on both sides.

Much of the success of these policies depends on those who implement them, country by country, and who represent our nation's values to the world. You have carried out this heavy responsibility well here, in Costa Rica; but it is a challenge you must live up to every day.

3) You are especially privileged to be serving in this nation, at this crucial time in its history, for Costa Rica is setting an example not only to Latin America but to all the rest of the world that democratic answers can be found for even the most pressing economic questions, and that a government which defends the basic rights of its people will serve its people best -- and will endure. The relations

between Costa Rica and the United States are strong and warm; I hope that, as you continue your work, you will always remember that the most basic foundation of that friendship is our mutual allegiance to democratic values.

4) The President is trying hard right now to find ways to improve the civil service system, so in order to clear a path for those who really want to serve their nation, rather than letting them be impeded by those who do not. He knows very well that no branch of the government is more dedicated to its duty than those who serve overseas. He sends you his admiration, and hopes you will join him in the effort to bring the same dedication to the rest of the government.

5) I bring the wishes of all our people with me, and our gratitude for the job you have done so well.

pool report by mcbee, june 1

Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Oduber visited the Special Education School in Aljuela, about 9 km from San Jose, and were greeted by Beryl Horton, a Peace Corps volunteer whom has been working at the school 3 years. ~~RC~~ Horton showed the visitors a bulletin board with news articles about the April, 1976 ~~xxxxxxx~~visit of 10 students, two teachers, and the director, Maria Carmen Saborio, to the Livsey School in DeKalb County, Ga. RC asked how many children went; Horton said 10 and that 3 of them were here today to greet her. She was introduced to the governor of the province, the president of the city of Aljuela, the ~~g~~ regional director of education and other officials. Horton took her to a classroom where the students, some of whom are deaf~~xxxx~~ and some of whom are retarded, were making diamond-shaped traffic signs. One said Alto, another said Zona Escolar. Horton said that in April of this year 20 students and 4 faculty members of the Livsey School came here for a visit. Two children presented RC with two gifts, a school T shirt and a school shield made of straw. The girl who presented the T shirt said, "This is for Amy." Then 5 deaf boys and 5 deaf girls did a Costa Rican dance for the guests. The girls wore white peasant blouses and red, green, yellow, and black taffeta skirts. The boys wore blue trousers, white shirts, red scarfs and tan hats. Next a large group of boys and girls in white t shirts and white shorts did an exercise to ~~a series of exercises~~ the beat of a song that started: "Give the chicken fat back to the chickens; don't be a chicken any more; push up 10 times every morning." They touched toes, did pushups, and marched in place. RC smiled and sometimes laughed at their antics. She said in a little speech that ~~xxxxxxx~~ the President's Commission on Mental Health "will be very interested when I go back and tell them the great work you are doing here." In spanish she said: "It is a great pleasure for me to be here with you. I enjoyed very much your program. Many thanks for your gifts. I like them very much and I have a gift for you."

Horton said the kids attending the school were age $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 15.

Mrs. Carter greeted the children after the ceremony, in which she presented a large slide viewer with slides of the United States to the school.

At the Supreme Electoral Tribunal, she met its president, Francisco Saenz Mesa and four other members of the tribunal. They exchanged gifts. Saenz gave a long speech explaining the work of the tribunal and Mrs. Carter, speaking in English with Stephanie Van Reigensberg translating, repeated the three main points Carter made in ^{the} his OAS speech: ~~a high~~ that we have a high regard for individuality and sovereignty of nations; that we have great concern for human rights, and that we have a desire to work with and consult with the developing countries. RC said she had discussed these issues with Oduber. She said suffrage is one of the most important of the human rights and that the tribunal is an institution that sets Costa Rica apart from the rest of the world. She said she looked forward to describing its work to Jimmy.

USIA
UNITED STATES
INFORMATION AGENCY
WASHINGTON 20547

June 6, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Ms. Mary Hoyt
The White House

FROM : James P. Thurber, Jr. 

SUBJECT : Arrival Statements in Costa Rica

At the request of our Post in San Jose, I am forwarding to you the English and Spanish texts of Foreign Minister Gonzalo Facio's remarks at Mrs. Carter's arrival in Costa Rica.

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EMBARGOED UNTIL 12:50 PM COSTA RICA LOCAL TIME

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF REMZARKS DELIVERED BY COSTA RICAN
FOREIGN MINISTER UPON ARRIVAL OF ROSALYNN CARTER AT JUAN
SANTAMARIA AIRPORT, SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, MAY 31, 1977
12:30 PM LOCAL TIME . SPANISH TO FOLLOW.

WELCOMING ADDRESS TO MRS. ROSALYN CARTER, FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA, AND GOOD WILL AMBASSADOR OF THE PRESIDENT OF
THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON SPECIAL MISSION

SAN JOSE, MAY 31ST , 1977

HER EXCELLENCY MRS. ROSALYNN CARTER
DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF HER RETENUE
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

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FOR: BRASILIA FOR MARY HOYT AND BARBARA HEINEBACK, MRS. CARTER PARTY
USIA IBS/PL, IPS/PL, ILA FOR G. MILLER, STATE, ARA FOR A: WHITE HOUSE
E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, ROSALYNN)
SUBJECT: MEDIA REACT MRS. CARTER VISIT

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LEADING DAILY LA NACION CARRIED FOLLOWING EDITORIAL JUNE
4, 1977, ON MRS. CARTER VISIT TO COSTA RICA AND U.S. SIGNING
OF THE SAN JOSE PACT.

THE IDEA AND PRACTICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY

THE RECENT VISIT OF THE FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED STATES
HAD, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE VIRTUE OF HIGHLIGHTING THE
EMINENT PLACE OUR COUNTRY OCCUPIES IN THE DOCTRINE AND
PRACTICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY, A PLACE WHICH IT
SHARES WITH THE UNITED STATES.

THE EXPRESSION OF AN AUTHENTIC DEMOCRACY CAN BE VARIED,
BUT THE TOUCHSTONE AND "SINA QUA NON" OF SUCH
EXPRESSIONS IS THE POSSIBILITY OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
IN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE,
THROUGH THE MEANS OF VOTING IN FREE ELECTIONS.

THE SPECIAL VISIT MRS. CARTER MADE TO THE SUPREME
ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL PROVED ONCE AGAIN THE SIMILARITY OF
THE DEMOCRATIC IDEALS WHICH UNITE OUR TWO NATIONS. IT
IS THIS TRIBUNAL WHICH, IN EFFECT, REPRESENTS THE
SAFEGUARDING OF THE POPULAR VOTE AND ITS DEFENSE.
ONLY A JUDICIAL INSTITUTION, ABOVE THE POLITICAL
PARTIES AND ON THE SIDES, CONSTITUTES AN ADEQUATE
GUARANTEE THAT THE POPULAR WILL IS RESPECTED, IN THE WAY
THAT IT HAS BEEN IN THE UNITED STATES--ACCORDING TO OUR
DISTINGUISHED VISITOR-- "FROM WASHINGTON TO CARTER,"
AND HOW IT CAN BE SAID THAT IT HAS BEEN AMONG OURSELVES,
SINCE AN AUTONOMOUS JUDICIAL INSTITUTION HAS ASSUMED
THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT THE PURITY OF ELECTORAL
PRIMARIES.

IN THIS RESPECT, AND IN OTHERS DEALING WITH THE
DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE EXERCISE OF
DEMOCRACY, COSTA RICA CAN LIFT UP ITS HEAD BEFORE THE
WORLD, DUE TO ITS ADHERENCE TO THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF
THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. COSTA RICA
WAS A SIGNATORY OF THE DECLARATION AND, WHEN THE OPPOR-
TUNITY PRESENTED ITSELF, A PIONEER OF NEW
INITIATIVES FOR ITS BETTER PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING
ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.

FITTINGLY, AT THE MOMENT MRS. CARTER WAS IN OUR
COUNTRY, PRESIDENT CARTER IN WASHINGTON SIGNED SO-CALLED
"PACT OF SAN JOSE" ON HUMAN RIGHTS. THE (PACT'S)
BASIC TEXT WAS EDITED DURING THE INTERAMERICAN
CONVENTION HELD IN OUR CAPITAL ON VEMBER 22, 1969, AND
COSTA RICA WAS THE FIRST TO SIGN ITRNIN 1970.

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THIS GESTURE, TOGETHER WITH A MOTION SUPPORTING
THE CREATION OF A U.N. HIGH COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, A
PROPOSAL COSTA RICA PRESENTED TWELVE YEARS AGO, HAS
ELOQUENTLY TRANSFORMED OUR COUNTRY INTO A STANDARD-BEARER
OF AN IDEAL WHICH MERITS THE GREATEST ATTENTION FROM
ALL NATIONS.

THE PACT WHICH THE UNITED STATES SIGNED MAY 31
CONTAINS THE FUNDAMENTAL BASES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
AN INTERAMERICAN COURT ON HUMAN RIGHTS. IN THIS MANNER,
IT CONSTITUTES AN IMPORTANT JUDICIAL INSTRUMENT IN THE
HANDS OF THE AMERICAN NATIONS TO SAFEGUARD THE MOST
PRECIOUS HUMAN VALUES ON THIS CONTINENT.

COSTA RICA HAS TAKEN GREAT STEPS IN THE PROCLAMATION
AN PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS, AS MUCH IN THE NATIONAL AS
INTERNATIONAL SPHERE. THIS IS, WITHOUT DOUBT, ONE OF
THE GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR COUNTRY, ONE
TO WHICH ALL COSTA RICA CITIZENS HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO
FOR DECADES ON BEHALF OF THE LIBERTY AND DIGNITY OF MAN.

UNCLAS SECTION 2 OF 2 SAN JOSE 2609

FOR: BRASILIA FOR MARY HOYT AND BARBARA HEINEBACK, MRS. CARTER PARTY
USIA IBS/PL, IPS/PL, ILA FOR G. MILLER, STATE, ARA FOR A: WHITE HOUSE

LA IDEA Y LA PRACTICA DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS Y LA
DEMOCRACIA

LA RECIENTE VISITA DE LA PRIMERA DAMA DE LOS ESTADOS
UNIDOS HA TENIDO, ENTRE OTRAS COSAS, LA VIRTUD DE DESTACAR
EL PUESTO RELEVANTE QUE OCUPA NUESTRO PAIS EN LA DOCTRINA
Y LA PRACTICA DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS Y LA DEMOCRACIA
FILOSOFIA QUE COMPARTIE CON LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMERICA.

VARIAS PUEDEN SER LAS EXPRESIONES DE UNA AUTENTICA
DEMOCRACIA, PERO LA PIEDRA DE TOQUE Y CONDICION "SINE
QUA NON" PARA QUE ELLA PUEDA EJERCERSE ES LA POSIBILI-
DAD DE LA PARTICIPACION CIUDADANA EN UN GOBIERNO DEL
PUEBLO Y PARA EL PUEBLO, A TRAVES DE LA EMISION DEL VOTO
EN ELECCIONES LIBRES.

LA VISTA ESPECIAL QUE LA SRA. CARTER REALIZO AL
TRIBUNAL SUPREMO DE ELECCIONES, CONSTITUYO UNA
PRUEBA MAS DE LA IDENTIDAD DE IDEALES DEMOCRATICAS
QUE UNEN A NUESTRAS DOS NACIONES. ES ESTE TRIBUNAL
EN EFECTO, EL QUE REPRESENTA LA SALVAGUARDIA DEL VOTO
POPULAR Y SU DEFENSA. SOLO UNA INSTITUCION JURIDICA
POR ENCIMA DE LOS PARTIDOS POLITICOS Y AL MARGEN DE
ELLOS, CONSTITUYE SUFICIENTE GARANTIA DE QUE LA
VOLUNTAD POPULAR ES RESPETADA, COMO HA SUCEDIDO EN
LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS -- SEGUN LA ILUSTRE VISITANTE--
"DESDE WASHINGTON A CARTER", Y COMO PUEDE AFIRMARSE
QUE OCURRE ENTRE NOSOTROS, DESDE QUE UNA ENTIDAD
JURIDICA AUTONOMA HA ASUMIDO LA RESPONSABILIDAD DE
PROTEGER LA PUREZA DE LOS COMICIOS ELECTORALES.

EN ESTE ASPECTO, Y EN OTROS QUE TIENEN QUE VER
CON LA EXPRESION DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS Y EL EJERCICIO
DE LA DEMOCRACIA, COSTA RICA PUEDE LEVANTAR LA CABEZA
ANTE EL MUNDO, POR SU APEGO A LA LETRA Y AL ESPIRITU
DE LA DECLARACION UNIVERSAL DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS DE
LA QUE, EN SU TIEMPO, FUE SIGNATARIA Y, CUANDO LA
OPORTUNIDAD SE HA PRESENTADO, PIONERA DE NUEVAS
INICIATIVAS PARA SU MEJOR PROTECCION Y SALVAGUARDIA A
NIVEL INTERNACIONAL.

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JUSTAMENTE, EN EL MOMENTO EN QUE LA SRA. CARTER ERA ESPERADA EN NUESTRO PAIS, EL PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER FIRMABA EN WASHINGTON EL LLAMADO "PACTO DE SAN JOSE" SOBRE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS, CUYO TEXTO BASICO FUE REDACTADO EN LA CONVENCION INTERAMERICANA CELEBRADA EN NUESTRA CAPITAL EL 22 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 1969, Y QUE COSTA RICA FUE LA PRIMERA EN FIRMAR EN 1970.

ESE GESTO, JUNTO CON EL DE UNA MOCION ENCAMINADA A LA CREACION DE UN ALTO COMISARIADO PARA LA DEFENSA DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS, DEPENDIENTE DE LAS NACIONES UNIDAS, QUE COSTA RICA PRESENTO HACE 12 AÑOS HAN CONVERTIDO ELOCUENTEMENTE A NUESTRO PAIS EN ABANDERADO DE UN IDEAL QUE MERECE LA MAYOR DEDICACION DE TODAS LAS NACIONES.

EL PACTO QUE ESTADOS UNIDOS FIRMO EL 31 DE MAYO, PONE LAS BASES FUNDAMENTALES PARA LA CREACION DE UNA CORTE INTERAMERICANA DE DERECHOS HUMANOS Y CONSTITUYE DE ESTA MANERA, UN IMPORTANTE INSTRUMENTO JURIDICO EN MANOS DE LAS NACIONES AMERICANAS PARA SALVAGUARDAR EN ESTE CONTINENTE LOS VALORES MAS PRECIADOS DE LA HUMANIDAD.

COSTA RICA LLEVA DADOS GRANDES PASOS EN LA PROCLAMACION Y LA PROTECCION DE ESTOS DERECHOS, TANTO EN EL AMBITO NACIONAL COMO INTERNACIONAL. ESTE ES, A NO DUDARLO, UNO DE LOS MAYORES LOGROS DE NUESTRO PAIS, Y AL CUAL CONTRIBUIMOS TODOS LOS NACIONALES DESDE HACE DECENAS DE AÑOS CON NUESTRA VOCACION POR LA LIBERTAD Y LA DIGNIDAD DEL HOMBRE.

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SCENARIO FOR VISIT TO NATIONAL THEATER, SAN JOSE COSTA RICA

May 31, 1977

7:00 pm. Mrs. Carter and official party depart hotel for National Theater.

7:25 pm. Mrs. Carter arrives National Theater. She will be met by President and Mrs. Oduber in the lobby and will be escorted directly to the presidential box.

As they enter the presidential box, the Band of San José will strike up the Costa Rican national anthem. Following this, they will play the American national anthem.

Minister of Culture Guido Sáenz will introduce the National Youth Symphony, which will play three short numbers:

Festique, by Daniels
Love for Three Oranges by Prokofieff
Overture to Die Meistersinger
by Wagner

7:45 pm. After the concert Mrs. Mercedes de Rodríguez, executive director of the Youth Symphony, will greet Mrs. Carter and present her with a corsage.

President Oduber will escort Mrs. Carter up a short flight of steps to the theater's second floor foyer for a reception.

The reception line will form to the right of the entrance.

8:30 pm. President Oduber will make a short statement and introduce Mrs. Carter.

Mrs. Carter will make a short statement in reply.

8:50 pm. Official party departs National Theater for Hotel Cariari

SEATING ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE OFFICIAL PARTY AT NATIONAL THEATER

Presidential Box

Mrs. Carter
Mrs. Vance
Mr. Fitzpatrick
Ms. Van Reigersberg
Security Agent
President and Mrs. Oduber
Minister and Mrs. Facio

Vice-Presidential Box (11 Right)

Chargé Lowell Kilday
Mrs. Kilday
Ms. Dobelle
Mr. Pastor
Vice-President and Mrs. Guzman

Minister of Culture's Box (11 Left)

Ambassador Todman
Amb. Designate & Mrs. Weissman
Minister and Mrs. Sáenz
Mrs. Rodríguez

Box 10 Right

Mrs. Hoyt
Ms. MacBean

Box 10 Left

Ms. Fenderson
Mr. King

Other members of the official party may choose their own orchestra seats.



MINISTERIO DE CULTURA, JUVENTUD Y DEPORTES
SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA

DESPACHO DEL MINISTRO

31 May 1977

for 7:30 plm. release

REMARKS BY DR. GUIDO SAENZ, MINISTER OF CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORTS, AT THE
CONCERT OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA IN HONOR OF MRS. CARTER.

In Costa Rica we have gone beyond the phrase 'to turn swords into ploughshares'--we have moved into the very serious business of combining our urgently needed economic development with the artistic component that will ensure that our development is aimed at the betterment of man's condition.

That Costa Rica is a democracy that has eschewed a costly military establishment for education and culture is already well-known.

Less known perhaps is how this humanistic policy has burgeoned in recent years.

It should be a source of pride for you, Mrs. Carter, that our National Symphony Orchestra blossomed into a great instrument with the help of Gerald Brown, a young American conductor, and a group of Peace Corps volunteers from Juilliard, Oberlin, and Indiana University, among others, who could not have displayed more enthusiasm and dedication than if they had been Costa Ricans.

From this revitalized National Symphony sprang a daughter: the National Youth Orchestra, now barely five years old. When enrollment opened for 100 positions in the orchestra a week ago 6,000 youngsters between the ages of five and 18 showed up with their families tying up the downtown traffic for a day.

Last month, the National Assembly, our Congress, voted unanimously to authorize President Oduber to seek a \$1 million loan in the United States for the purchase of musical instruments to improve and expand our ambitious program.

Yesterday, Henry Raymont, the director of the Cultural Affairs Department of the Organization of American States arrived with the good news that the organization has authorized \$35,000 for the establishment of a Regional Music Training Center in San Jose. This would enable Costa Rica to share the joy--and hard work--of music making with all of Central America and our sister nations of the Caribbean.

He also has promised us to obtain the help of a group of first-rate concert artists who have become distinguished teachers: Alexander Schneider, Jaime Laredo, Leslie Parnas, Sharon Robinson and the members of the Guarneri Quartet.

It is hoped that this group, as well as Isaac Stern and the Casals Festival will advise us in the difficult and challenging task of acquiring the new instruments--and we would naturally welcome any assistance we might obtain from the National Endowment of the Arts.

Per una Cultura Nacional

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I am very happy to be back in CR.
When I visited here several years ago
we had a chance to see much of your
beautiful country & experiencing your
wonderful hospitality. I return today
with that same feeling of ~~close~~ warm
friendship ~~with~~

traditions, and we admire your
leadership and your creative ideas in
the area of human rights.

We have much in common

We share the same
~~Our dedication to democratic~~

~~values and principles of human rights.~~ ~~And my~~

visit here is an indication that we

want to ^{cooperate & consult most} ~~work~~ closely with those countries

like C.R. who ~~share our values and ideals.~~

~~who share our values.~~
→ share our ideas

Mr. Pres., you could not ~~but~~ ^{chosen} this
~~reception~~ in a more beautiful place to
have this reception, & I've heard of your
wealth of talent & the many national
groups that perform here, and I look
forward to hearing the ^{CR} NYS tonight -

Thank you for your wonderful
reception. I bring you greetings from my
husband. I take back to him the warmth
& friendship with which I've been received.
Thank you very much -



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page 2. Remarks by Minister Guido Saenz (for 7:30 p.m. release, May 31)

But now we would like you to hear these youngsters who, when their turn comes to forge the future of Costa Rica, will have the beauty of the great universal masters as their inspiration, not only in spirit but as part of their living experience.

Pres. Oduber, Mr. Minister Jacob, Ladies & Gentlemen

Thank you for your wonderful hospitality to me
~~when Jimmy~~ and I visited in your beautiful
country several years ago. ~~and we~~ We had
the pleasure

As you know I & I visited in

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A SYMBOLIC MOMENT IN MRS. CARTER'S VISIT

THERE WAS NO NEED TO BE NEAR HER; JUST TO WATCH HER ON TV WAS ENOUGH TO NOTE THAT WE WERE VISITED BY AN EXTRAORDINARY WOMAN. A WOMAN WHOSE EXCEPTIONALITY RESIDES PRECISELY -- AS THE WRITER JOSE MARIN CANAS SAYS IN THIS SAME PAGE -- IN HER SIMPLICITY.

SHE IS A HOUSEWIFE, MODEST, GRACEFUL, SWEETLY ELEGANT, ALWAYS SMILING, AN EXACT AND STRICT REPRESENTATION OF THE MOST VALUED FEMININE VIRTUES: NOT ONLY THOSE RECOMMENDED AND PRAISED BY OUR ANCESTORS, BUT ALSO THOSE THAT TODAY'S WORLD APPRECIATES AND ESTEEMS, AS WOMEN BECOME ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN LIFE, NOT ONLY IN THEIR HOMES BUT ALSO IN THEIR COMMUNITIES, THEIR COUNTRIES, THE WORLD.

AN INTERESTING FEATURE OF MRS. CARTER'S VISIT IS THAT TO DATE, IT HAS NOT RECEIVED ITS AUTHENTIC MEANING, OR SYMBOLISM, IF YOU LIKE.

IT HAS BEEN SAID IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY WHY OUR COUNTRY WAS INCLUDED IN MRS. CARTER'S TRIP. WE UNDERSTAND: THE U.S. RESPECTS AND FEELS AFFECTION FOR OUR WAY OF LIVING, OUR DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM, OUR LOVE FOR LIBERTY, AND FOR EVERYTHING WE ARE.

BUT NOW THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS FIGHTING FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, IT WAS NOT ENOUGH THAT HIS WIFE JUST VISITED COSTA RICA, WHAT WAS INTENDED WAS TO GIVE SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO AN ACTION, A THOUGHT, AN IDEAL. AND THIS WAS OBVIOUS WHEN A VISIT TO THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL WAS INCLUDED IN HER COSTA RICAN SCHEDULE.

IT WAS NOT A PROTOCOL VISIT. PROTOCOL DOES NOT REQUIRE IT. WITHIN HER 24 HOUR PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES THIS WAS ALMOST UNEXPECTED. BUT MRS. CARTER WANTED TO VISIT THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL, THAT IS, THE ORGANISM WHICH EMBODIES OUR POLITICAL WILL, OUR ELECTORAL PLURALITY, OUR LIBERTIES, THAT ORGANISM THAT SYMBOLIZES ALL THAT COSTA RICA IS AND CLAIMS TO BE. A VISIT TO THE SUPREME ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL WAS THE MOST SYMBOLIC AND SIGNIFICANT ACT, THE ONE THAT HONORS COSTA RICA THE MOST, OF ALL OF THOSE SHE COULD HAVE ACCOMPLISHED DURING HER VISIT.

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THERE WAS NO BETTER WAY TO LEAVE A VIVID IMPRESSION OF THE CONCERNS OF HER HUSBAND'S GOVERNMENT, WHAT HE EXPECTS, AND WHAT HE DESIRES FOR MEN AND COUNTRIES. OUR ELECTORAL SYSTEM IS WHAT WE ARE MOST PROUD OF, AND WHAT LEGALLY INCARNATES OUR EXISTENCE AS A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY.

MRS. CARTER WANTED TO SEE THE INSTITUTION WHICH OVERSEES OUR ELECTIONS. IT MUST HAVE BEEN FOR SOME REASON. MURCHIE

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