

Acuerdos Bilaterales

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Partes: GS/OAS & Department of State

Referencia: Department of State

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
between the
STATE DEPARTMENT (PM/HDP)
and
The GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OAS)

I. AUTHORITY

Pursuant to section 1-802 of Executive Order 12163 and section 632(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended ("FAA"), the Department of ("State") hereby agrees to provide to the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States ("GS/OAS") the amount of \$2,000,000 to support the clearance of landmines and other unexploded ordnance in Nicaragua and Honduras. These funds originated from the office of U.S. Agency for International Development and are provided under the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for FY 99.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is to provide humanitarian demining assistance to Nicaragua and Honduras, and to outline the manner by which funds will be provided from the Department of State to the General Secretariat of the OAS

(1) Funds Allocated

State shall provide \$2,000,000 from appropriation account 19-119/01075 to GS/OAS by wire transfer:

Full Name:	Nations Bank, NA
Short Name:	Nationsbk DC
ABA Number:	054001204
Bank Address:	730 15 th St., N.W. – 7 th Floor Washington, D.C. 20005
Bank Telephone & FAX number	202-624-4789, 202-624-1059 202-624-5510
Account Number:	208012-5354
DUNS Number:	05860S791
Account Name:	Organization of American States
Suggested Comments:	United States Contribution to OAS/IADB Demining Program In Honduras and Nicaragua.

(2) Implementation

- (a) GS/OAS shall disburse the funds to implement the activities described in this MOU
- (b) State, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Political-Military Affairs, or other such officials designated by State, shall be responsible for the overall policy/direction and GS/OAS for technical content and implementation of demining assistance programs in each country. The Office of Humanitarian Demining Programs (PM/HDP) shall be the principal point of contact in the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs for demining assistance provided under this agreement. In the field, OAS, acting through its National Office and Demining Program Coordinator shall oversee the demining program on a day-to-day basis.
- (c) GS/OAS will provide oversight in regards to all United States assistance provided for by this MOU.

- (d) The GS/OAS will communicate its own and the donor's insistence that that Honduras and Nicaragua be the end-user of items and services listed in this MOA and that they will be used for Humanitarian Demining Operations only.
- (e) State may terminate any program under this Agreement prior to its completion in accordance with the applicable Federal regulations, rules and directives. Such termination would provide at least 30 days advance, written notice and allow for payment of all irrevocable obligations to third parties made by the GS/OAS in good faith pursuant to the program prior to receipt of termination notice.

(3) Records and Reports

GS/OAS shall keep full and complete records and accounts with respect to the funds transferred under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. GS/OAS shall perform such audits of the books and records related to demining as may be required by generally accepted auditing standards.


(4) Duration and Modification

This agreement expires on December 31, 2000; it may be modified or terminated, at any time, upon mutual written agreement of State and GS/OAS.

III. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The United States Government requires that donated items and services for demining programs in Honduras and Nicaragua be developed in accordance with the established GS/OAS donor recording mechanism identified as "fronts" or "modules" which clearly identify the United States as the primary donor for work accomplished under such "front" or "module". Front or module being defined as a specific demining operational area of responsibility with specific boundaries. The procurement of items and services must be approved by State Department PM/HDP in advance. All equipment turned over to the Honduran or Nicaraguan military service must be identified as exclusively for the use of humanitarian demining in accordance with all existing agreements and documents. The United States government requires that the GS/OAS provide periodic management reports indicating meaningful measures of effectiveness of work accomplished using funds provided in this MOA. Meaningful measures of effectiveness for purposes of this MOA are identified as (1) Mines removed; (2) Amount of land cleared of mines and returned for productive use; (3) Number of refugees or internally displaced persons returned to shelter; (4) Use of recovered land e.g. agricultural or industry or other measures of effectiveness deemed appropriate to show value added from the humanitarian demining process initiated in this area.

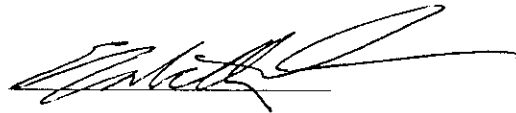
DEPARTMENT OF STATE



Donald F. Patierno
Director,
Representative
Office of Humanitarian Demining Programs
Bureau of Political-Military Affairs

Date: 12-07-99

GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES



Elizabeth Spehar
Executive Coordinator
Unit for the Promotion of
Democracy

Date: Nov. 24, 1999.