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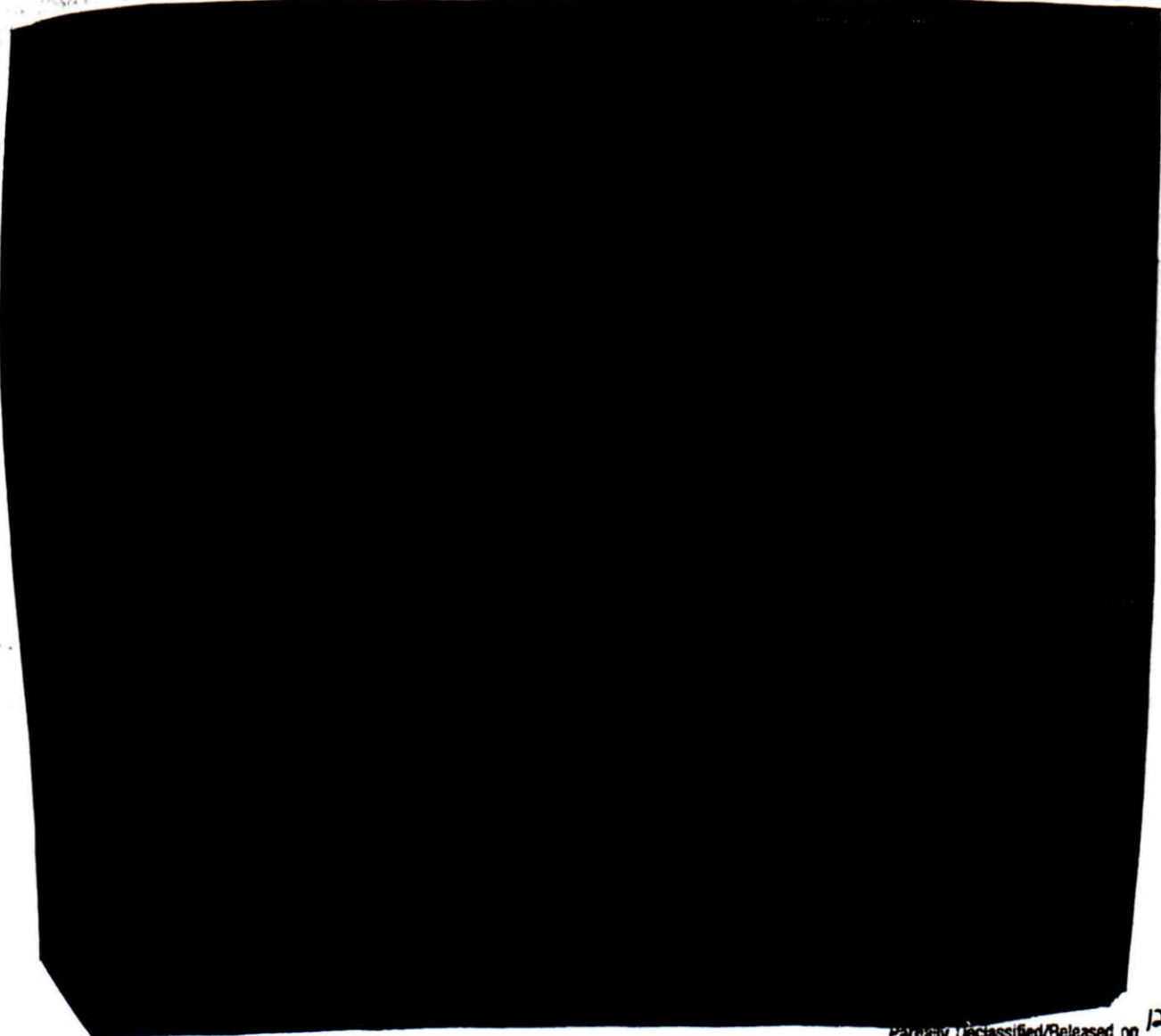
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October 5, 1982

NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION
DIRECTIVE NUMBER 59

CUBA AND CENTRAL AMERICA ~~(S)~~

At a meeting of the National Security Planning Group on September 24, 1982, current policy and prospects in Central America were reviewed and the basic elements of the policy as described in NSDDs 17, 21, and 37 were reaffirmed. In addition, given the need for a sustained and adequately funded effort, and the need to take into account the possibilities of escalation of the conflict in the region, the following decisions were taken: ~~(S)~~



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That FY 83 funding of security and economic assistance to Central America be maintained at levels provided in FY 82 (including CBI and 506a). This should be accomplished, to the extent possible by reprogramming and use of section 506a authority as appropriate. However, if these methods prove inadequate, a supplemental appropriation would be sought for FY 83. ~~TS~~

Ronald Reagan

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