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Hector P. Garcia, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Garcia:

Thank you for your telegram of October 6, 1985, to President Reagan concerning your recommendation that Mexico be offered the full equipment of a U.S. Army Field Hospital for their use in case of emergencies.

During the recent, tragic earthquake in Mexico City, our Defense Department, as well as the other agencies of the government, made tremendous efforts to assist Mexico. We were even prepared to provide a Field Hospital for support, although the Mexican government ultimately did not require it.

Through our continuing Security Assistance program, military equipment, such as field hospital sets and the training required to operate them, has been, and remains, available to the Mexican government. It is, however, a matter for their decision.

I appreciate your concern and assure you that we continue to seek opportunities to assist Mexico and her people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas E. Moore", is positioned above the typed name.

Douglas E. Moore
Colonel, Medical Service Corps
Acting Director, Health Care Operations

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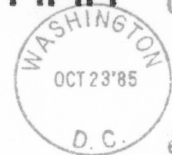
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