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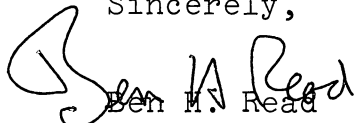
April 4, 1979

Dear Dr. Garcia:

The President has asked me to thank you for your telegram of March 26, 1979, recommending the appointment of Abelardo Valdez as the next United States Ambassador to Mexico.

Though it is the policy of the Advisory Board not to discuss particular countries that have been referred to it for recommendations, I can assure you that when the Board met last Saturday Mr. Valdez's credentials were given every appropriate consideration during the Board's deliberations.

Sincerely,


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