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1. SCHEDULE I - IMMIGRANT VISAS

GEOGRAPHIC BUREAU: ARA
COUNTRY AND POST: BOLIVIA - LA PAZ

	FY-1978	FY-1979	FY-1980	FY-1981
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
10/1/77	10/1/78	10/1/79	10/1/80	
9/30/78	9/30/79	9/30/80	9/30/81	

1. IV'S ISSUED	670	600	625	650
2. IV'S REFUSED	31	40	45	50
3. TOTAL IV CASES	701	640	670	700

MAN-HOURS UTILIZED

AMERICAN OFFICERS:

4. FULL TIME PERMANENT	662	787	787	840
5. TEMPORARY DETAIL	404	0	0	0
6. PIT (LOCALLY HIRED)	437	0	0	0
7. SUB-TOTAL AMERICAN MAN-				

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HOURS 1504 787 787 840

FSNE:

8. FULL TIME PERMANENT	2467	2330	2205	2205
9. TEMPORARY DETAIL	113	0	0	0
10. PIT	168	0	0	0
11. SUB-TOTAL FSNE MAN-HOURS	2748	2330	2205	2205

12. TOTAL IV MAN-HOURS 4251 3117 2992 3045

PCT OF TOTAL IV CASES REQUIRING:

13. USE OF INTERPRETER .5 O/O .5 O/O .5 O/O .5 O/O

14. THIRD COUNTRY CHECK 20 O/O 20 O/O 20 O/O 20 O/O

2. SCHEDULE II - NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS:

GEOGRAPHIC BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: BOLIVIA - LA PAZ

15. NIV'S ISSUED 12,321 18,500 22,200 26,640

16. NIV'S REFUSED 984 1,500 1,800 2,160

17. TOTAL NIV CASES 13,305 20,000 24,000 28,800

MAN-HOURS UTILIZED:

AMERICAN OFFICERS:

18. FULL TIME PERMANENT 1,625 2,363 2,625 4,200

19. TEMPORARY DETAIL 408 212 0 0

20. PIT (LOCALLY HIRED) 0 0 875 0

21. SUB-TOTAL AMERICAN MAN-HOURS 2,033 2,575 3,500 4,200

FSNE:

22. FULL TIME PERMANENT 2,418 2,800 5,513 5,513

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23. TEMPORARY DETAIL 141 48 0 0

24. PIT 812 1,626 0 0

25. SUB-TOTAL FSNE MAN-HOURS 3,371 4,474 5,513 5,513

26. TOTAL NIV MAN-HOURS 5,404 7,049 9,013 9,713

27. NIV FEES COLLECTED \$98 \$120 \$150 \$150

28. BORDER CROSSING CARDS

FY-78 0 0 0 0

29. CREW LIST VISAS FY-78 0 0 0 0

30. NAMES ON CREW LIST VISAS

FY-78 0 0 0 0

PCT TOTAL NIV CASES REQUIRING:

31. INTERVIEWS 18 O/O 25 O/O 30 O/O 40 O/O

32. USE OF INTERPRETER (OF

TOTAL NIV CASES

INTERVIEWED) .5 O/O .5 O/O .5 O/O .5 O/O

33. THIRD COUNTRY CHECK 2 O/O 2 O/O 2 O/O 2 O/O

3. SCHEDULE III - SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

GEOGRAPHIC BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: BOLIVIA - LA PAZ

34. AMERICAN CITIZENS DEATHS	5	8	10	10
35. ESTATE:PROPERTY CLAIMS	2	6	8	8
36. NOTARIALS	2843	3000	3200	3300
37. WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS	209	230	250	250
38. SEAMAN SERVICES	0	0	0	0
39. ARRESTS	28	30	30	30
40. OTHER AGENCY SERVICES	34	40	45	45
41. TOTAL SCS CASES	3121	3314	3543	3643

MAN-HOURS TUILIZED:

AMERICAN OFFICERS:

42. FULL TIME PERMANENT	2907	1675	1313	1400
43. TEMPORARY DETAIL	28	0	0	0
44. PIT (LCALLY HIRED)	0	0	0	0

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45. SUB-TOTAL AMERICAN

MAN-HOURS 2935 1675 1313 1400

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FSNE:

46. FULL TIME PERMANENT	2115	2800	3062	3062
47. TEMPORARY DETAIL	281	0	0	0
48. PIT	309	147	0	0
49. SUB-TOTAL FSNE MAN-HOURS	2705	2947	3062	3062
50. TOTAL SCS MAN-HOURS	5640	4622	4375	4462
51. TREASURY CHECKS FY-78	1320	1360	1380	1400

4. SCHEDULE IV - CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES:

GEOGRAPHIC BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: BOLIVIA - LA PAZ

52. PPT APPLICANTIONS

EXECUTED	470	500	520	530
53. PPT APPLICANTIONS EXAMINED	58	60	65	65
54. FEE PASSPORTS ISSUED	528	560	585	595
55. NON-FEE PASSPORTS ISSUED	0	1	1	1
56. PPT'S AMENDED OR EXTENDED	377	390	400	400

57. NEW REGISTRATION

APPLICATION	295	300	320	350
58. REPORTS OF BIRTH	73	80	85	85
59. WITNESS TO MARRIAGE	0	2	2	2
60. WAIVER OF PASSPORTS	0	0	0	0
61. SUB-TOTAL PPT CASES	1801	1893	1978	2028
62. IDENTITY CARDS ISSUED	0	0	0	0

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63. TOTAL PASSPORT CASES 1801 1893 1978 2028

MAN-HOURS UTILIZED:

AMERICAN OFFICERS:

64. FULL TIME PERMANENT	375	525	525	560
65. TEMPORARY DETAIL	91	0	0	0
66. PIT (LOCALLY HIRED)	0	0	0	0
67. SUB-TOTAL AMERICAN				
MAN-HOURS	466	525	525	560

FSNE:

68. FULL-IMTE PERMANENT	1178	1400	1470	1470
69. TEMPORARY DETAIL	28	0	0	0
70. PIT	0	0	0	0
71. SUB-TOTAL FSNE MAN-HOURS	1206	1400	1470	1470
72. TOTAL PPT MAN-HOURS	1672	1925	1995	2030

73. AMERICANS REGISTERED

1/31/79:	1569			
74. OFFICIAL	294	300	310	310
75. NON-OFFICIAL	1850	1900	1950	2000

5. SCHEDULE V - CONDITIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS

GEOGRAPHIC BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: BOLIVIA - LA PAZ

FY-1978

HOURS GAINED:	AMERICAN	FSN
OVERTIME	510	244
DETAILS IN	931	563

HOURS LOST: AMERICAN FSN
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DETAILS OUT	80	160
STAFFING GAPS	0	0
PROLONGED LEAVE	0	344

AMERICANS: VISAS SCS PPT GENERAL TOTAL

76. AUTHORIZED

9/30/78	1	0	0	1	3
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77. AUTHORIZED

1/31/79	2	0	0	1	3
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78. FILLED 1/31/79 2 0 0 1 3

INCREASE/DECREASE:

79. REQUIRED FY

2980	0	0	0	0	0
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80. REQUIRED FY

1981	1	0	0	0	1
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NATIONALS: VISAS SCS PPT GENERAL TOTAL

81. AUTHORIZED

9/30/78	2	0	0	3	5
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82. AUTHORIZED

1/31/79	2	0	0	3	5
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83. FILLED 1/31/79 1 0 0 3 4

INCREASE/DECREASE

84. REQUIRED FY19801 0 0 0 1

85. REQUIRED FY1981 0 0 0 0

6. SCHEDULE VI - FEDERAL BENEFITS, FRAUD, ETC

GEOGRAPHIC BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: BOLIVIA - LA PAZ

A. FEDERAL BENEFIT ACTIVITY

1. NUMBER OF SSA REIMBURSED POSITIONS:

AMERICAN: 0 FSN: 0

2. HOURS WORKED BY OCCUPANTS OF THESE POSITIONS ON WORK OTHER

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THAN FEDERAL BENEFITS:

AMERICAN: 0 FSN: 0

3. HOURS WORKED BY REGULAR (NON REIMBURSED) CONSULAR EMPLOYEES

ON FEDERAL BENEFITS:
AMERICAN: 35 FSN: 110

B. DOCUMENT FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS

1. BY WHOM CONDUCTED:

A. FRAUD UNIT

B. SECURITY

C. LINE OFFICERS X (ASSISTED BY FSNE'S AND CONSULAR AGENTS)

2. TYPE OF INVESTIGATION (ESTIMATED NUMBER):

A. VISA: 400 (SEE NARATIVE)

B. FEDERAL BENEFITS: 13

C. PASSPORT: 2

C. US CITIZENS IN JAIL 1/31/79: 20.

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D. SERVICES FOR INS: (FY 1979)

1. NUMBER OF RE-ENTRY

PERMIT EXTENSIONS 39

2. NUMBER OF I-151 CARDS

SURRENDERED 4

3. I-151 CARD INTERVIEWS

LOST OR STOLEN 19

4. MANHOURS WORKED BY CONSULAR EMPLOYEES TO PROVIDE ABOVE INS
SERVICES

AMERICAN: 11 FSN: 65

E. LOSS OF NATIONALITY CASES: 9

F. DETAILED BREAKOUT OF FIGURE ENTERED IN SCHEDULE III, ITEM 34:

1. BURIED LOCALLY: 3

2. REMAINS SHIPPED TO U.S.: 2

G. DETAILED BREAKOUT OF FIGURE ENTERED IN SCHEDULE III, ITEM 37:

1. SEARCHES FOR "MISSING PERSONS"	34
2. EMERGENCY MESSAGES	16
3. CHILD CUSTODY CASES	1
4. ILLNESS OR HOSPITAL CASES NOT INVOLVING MEDEVAC	3
5. MEDEVAC INVOLVING REPATRIATION LOANS	0
6. MEDEVAC NOT AT USG EXPENSE	0
7. REPATRIATION APPLICATIONS	3
8. REPATRIATION NOT INVOLVING USG EXPENSE	2
9. EMERGENCY MONEY TRANSFERS (INCLUDING TRUST AND COMMERCIAL BANK)	100
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10. UNSPECIFIED MISCELLANEOUS W/W ACTIONS	50
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A SYSTEM BASED ON THE SUGGESTED FORMAT FOR SAMPLING W/W CASES IN A-206 WAS ONLY INSTITUTED IN THE FALL OF 1978, AND HAS SO FAR NOT PROVED SUCCESSFUL, PRIMARILY BECAUSE OFFICERS AND FSNE'S FREQUENTLY FORGET TO COMPLETE IT REGULARLY. OUR FY 1978 ESTIMATES ARE BASED ON CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER RECORDS. THE BULK OF THE TIME SPENT ON W/W IN LA PAZ ACTUALLY RELATES LESS TO THE CATEGORIES ENUMERATED IN THE SUGGESTED FORMAT THAN TO SERVICES FOR PRISONERS, SUCH AS ASSISTING THEM TO GET PROPER MEDICAL TREATMENT AND TRYING TO SPEED UP THEIR TRIALS. THIS TYPE OF ACTIVITY IS NOT INCLUDED IN OUR FIGURES FOR ITEM 37, SINCE IT IS NOT ALL EASILY QUANTIFIABLE, AND SINCE NO RECORDS WERE KEPT IN MOST CASES. "EMERGENCY MONEY TRANSFERS" (ITEM 7) DOES INCLUDE TRANSFERS UNDER SCS TRUST FUND PROCEDURES FOR PRISONERS, HOWEVER, AND "MISCELLANEOUS" (ITEM 10) INCLUDES EMERGENCY MEDICAL LOANS UNDER EMDAP. FURTHER BREAKDOWN OF ITEM 10 IN NEXT YEAR'S PACKAGE MIGHT INCLUDE SUCH DATA AS PRISON VISITS, ATTENDANCE AT TRIALS, AND EMDAP LOANS, WHICH ARE BOTH TIME CONSUMING AND EASILY QUANTIFIABLE.

H. ARRESTS REPORTED TO OCS (SCS): 27

MINOR ARRESTS NOT REPORTED TO OCS (SCS): 1

I. THE USEFULNESS TO US OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF PASSPORTS ISSUED IS FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES, SUCH AS THIS REPORT, FOR INVENTORY CONTROL AND TIMELY REORDERING OF BLANK PASSPORTS, AND TO KEEP THE OFFICERS AWARE OF TRENDS AND REINFORCE THEIR SUPERVISORY CONTROL. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT THE REQUIREMENT TO LIST ALL THE RECIPIENTS OF PASSPORTS BY NAME IN EACH MONTHLY REPORT SERVES NO USEFUL PURPOSE, EITHER TO US OR TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE REPORT ITSELF HAS SOME UTILITY, BUT COULD BE SIMPLIFIED TO A MERE STATISTICAL REPORT.

J. REFUGEE CASES: 11

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AMERICAN HOURS: 20 FSNE HOURS: 4

ALL OF THE REFUGEES REFERRED TO ABOVE WERE FROM ARGENTINA. ALTHOUGH PROCESSING WAS INITIATED THROUGH THE UN AND CARRIED THROUGH THE PRE-INTERVIEW CLEARANCE STAGE FOR NINE OF THEM, ALL NINE CASES TERMINATED WHEN THE APPLICANTS WERE GRANTED ADMISSION TO SWITZERLAND. THE OTHER TWO APPLICANTS WERE REFUSED NIV'S AND ADVISED TO APPLY FOR REFUGEE STATUS, BUT HAVE NOT YET TAKEN THIS STEP.

THERE ARE NO REFUGEE CASES PENDING.

K. CONSULAR AGENTS: LEE LA PAZ 0593 AND NARRATIVE

SANTA CRUZ COCHABAMBA

1. NUMBER OF SERVICES 2500 1250
2. YEARLY HOURS WORKED: 520 260

L. NARRATIVE:

1. TRENDS.

THE TWO MAJOR TRENDS IN THE CONSULAR WORKLOAD IN LA PAZ IN FY 1978, WHICH HAVE CONTINUED INTO THE FIRST PART OF FY 1979, ARE THE RELATIVE DECLINE IN THE VOLUME OF PRISONER-RELATED WORK, AND THE CONTINUED RAPID INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF NIV APPLICATIONS.

ALTHOUGH THE NUMBER OF ARRESTS IN FY 1978 WAS ALMOST AS HIGH AS THE PREVIOUS YEAR, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AMERICAN PRISONERS DROPPED SHARPLY FROM A HIGH OF 43 AT ONE POINT IN 1977 TO 20 AT THE END OF JANUARY 1979, WITH A CORRESPONDING DECREASE IN TIME DEVOTED TO PRISON VISITS, ATTENDING TRIALS, ETC. THE DECLINE HAS BEEN DUE PRIMARILY TO THE RELEASE OF MANY OF THE FORMER PRISONERS WHO COMPLETED THEIR SENTENCES, OBTAINED PAROLE, ESCAPED, OR WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE TREATY ON EXECUTION OF PENAL SENTENCES WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT IN AUGUST OF 1978. ARRESTS IN FEBRUARY 1979 HAVE BROUGHT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PRISONERS TO 25. HOWEVER, SOME OF THE OLDER CASES ARE IN THEIR FINAL STAGES, WHICH COULD RESULT IN UP TO A DOZEN MORE PRISONERS BEING EITHER RELEASED OR

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TRANSFERRED TO THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE TREATY IN THE COMING FEW MONTHS. IN ADDITION, PUBLIC AND CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN THE SITUATION HAS WANED CONSIDERABLY IN THE PAST YEAR, GREATLY REDUCING THE VOLUME OF TIME-ONSUMING CORRESPONDENCE AND VISITS FROM RELATIVES AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES. ALTHOUGH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT WITH ANY ASSURANCE THAT THESE TRENDS WILL CONTINUE, THE EXISTENCE OF THE TREATY ON EXECUTION OF PENAL SENTENCES OPERATES AGAINST A LARGE NEW BUILDUP OF THE PRISONER POPULATION AS LONG AS THE FREQUENCY OF NEW ARRESTS STAYS RELATIVELY CONSTANT. THE INTENSITY OF THE CONSULAR SECTION'S INVOLVEMENT IN PRISONER AFFAIRS REMAINS FAILY HIGH, HOWEVER, AND IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN SO BECAUSE OF PRIMITIVE CONDITIONS IN THE JAILS AND THE SLOWNESS OF THE JICICIAL PROCESS (SEE LAST YEAR'S PACKAGE).
IN FY 1978, NIV APPLICATIONS REGISTERED AN INCREASE OF NEARLY 50 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR, ON TOP OF A 30 PER CENT INCREASE THE YEAR BEFORE. FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE PRESENT FISCAL YEAR, THE RATE OF INCREASE HAS BEEN CLOSE TO SIXTY PER CENT. THE REASONS FOR THIS INCREASE ARE THE SAME AS THOSE CITED IN LAST YEAR'S PACKAGE: RELATIVE PROSPERITY AND THE AVAILABILITY OF CREDIT TOURS TO MIAMI PROMOTED BY ACTIVE AND WELL ORGANIZED TRAVEL AGENCIES.

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AN ADDITIONAL FACTOR IS THAT INFLATION HAS MADE VACATIONS IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES SUCH AS ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL RELATIVELY MORE EXPENSIVE THAN A TRIP TO MIAMI, ESPECIALLY SINCE QUALITY MERCHANTISE (WATCHES, CAMERAS, ETC) CAN BE PURCHASED MORE CHEAPLY IN THE US. THIS TREND SHOWS NO SIGN OF ABATING, AND THEREFORE WE HAVE ESTIMATED ANOTHER 50 PER CENT INCREASE FOR FY 1979 AND (CONSERVATIVELY) A TWENY PERCENT INCREASE IN THE TWO FOLLOING YEARS. BASED LARGELY ON THE INCREASE IN NIV'S BUT PROJECTING ALSO A CONTINUATION OF SCS (PRISONER) ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT LEVEL OF INTENSITY AND A LISHT INCREASE IN PASSPORT/ CITIZENSHIP AND OTHER SCS WORK, WE ARE REQUESTING AN ADDITIONAL OFFICER POSITION FOR FY 1981 AND AND AN ADDITIONAL FSNE POSITION FOR 1980.

IMMIGRANT VISAS SHOWED AN UNUSUALLY LARGE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN FY 1978 BECAUSE A SERIOUS BACKLOG OF AP-

POINTMENTS AND OTHER IV WORK WAS ELIMINATED WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A 90-DAY PIT EMPLOYEE (AMERICAN DEPENDENT) HIRED IN JANUARY. THEREFORE, THE ESTIMATE FOR FY 1979 SHOWS A RETRENCHMENT TO A MORE NORMAL LEVEL, FOLLOWED BY GRADUAL INCREASES IN COMING YEARS. IMPROVED PROCEDURES AND STAFFING HAVE PREVENTED A RECURRANCE OF THE BACKLOG.

2. STAFFING SUMMARY: OFFICERS

A THIRD PERMANENT OFFICER POSITION, WAS AUTHORIZED ON SEPTEMBER 12, 1977, AND FILLED ON NOVEMBER 17, 1977. AN OFFICER ASSIGNED ON TEMPORARY DETAIL FROM THE DEPARTMENT IN SEPTEMBER, 1977 BECAUSE OF THE PRISONER PROBLEM WAS RELEASED ON APRIL 1, 1978. THREE PERMANENT OFFICERS ARE SUFFICIENT FOR THE PRESENT WORKLOAD, BUT UNCLASSIFIED

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IF PROJECTED NIV TRENDS ARE BORN OUT, A FOURTH POSITION (VISAS) WILL PROBABLY BE REQUIRED IN FY 1981. IN THE MEANTIME, DEPENDENT HIRE FOR VISA PREScreening, AS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL, COULD BE UTILIZED DURING THE PEAK VISA SEASONS, ALTHOUGH SO FAR THIS HAS NOT BEEN NECESSARY.

FSNE'S AND OTHERS: A FIFTH PERMANENT FSNE POSITION (SECRETARIAL) WAS AUTHORIZED ON NOVEMBER 4, 1977, AND FILLED ON JANUARY 1, 1978. A SIXTH (VISAS) AUTHORIZED FEBRUARY 8, 1979. THE FUNCTIONS REQUIRED OF THIS NEW POSITION (WHICH IS NOT YET FILLED) HAVE RECENTLY BEEN FULFILLED BY PIT LOCAL HIRE. IN THE RECORD HEAVY VISA SEASON OF THE FALL OF 1978, AN ADDITIONAL PIT (AMERICAN DEPENDENT) HAD TO BE HIRED ALSO. CURRENTLY, ONLY ONE PERMANENT FSNE IS AVAILABLE TO THE NIV UNIT. THE PREVIOUS INCUMBENT IN THIS POSITION WAS DISMISSED FOR MALFEASANCE IN DECEMBER OF 1978. THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT HE EXPLOITED HIS MONOPOLY OF THE NIV CLERICAL FUNCTIONS, INCLUDING ALL FILING, TO EXTORT APPLICANTS AND ENGAGE IN OTHER ILLICIT ACTIVITIES. THUS, IN ADDITION TO THE TERRIBLE INCREASE IN NIV VOLUME, THE NEED TO DIVIDE THE NIV FUNCTIONS FOR BETTER CONTROL AND SECURITY JUSTIFIES AN INCREASE IN NON-OFFICER PERSONNEL IN THE NIV UNIT. AT THE PRESENT VOLUME OF APPLICANTS DURING THE HEAVY SEASONS, EVEN TWO EMPLOYEES ARE NOT ABLE TO KEEP ABREAST OF THE WORK, AND HAVE HAD TO NEGLECT VLOB CHECKS, FILING, AND OTHER TASKS JUST TO COPE WITH THE DAILY FLOW. WE FEEL THAT ADEQUATE STAFFING FOR NIV'S REQUIRES THE FILLING OF THE AUTHORIZED SIXTH POSITION, AND EITHER THE AUTHORIZATION OF A SEVENTH FSNE POSITION OR THE CREATION OF A PERMANENT AMERICAN DEPENDENT POSITION IN FY 1980. IN THE MEANTIME, WE PLAN TO

CONTINUE TO FILL IT AS A PIT DURING THE BUSIEST
MONTHS. (OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE AMERICAN DEPENDENT
WHO FILLED THIS PIT POSITION, WHICH COMBINES RECEPTIONIST
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DUTIES WITH NIV CLERICAL TASKS, HAS BEEN HIGHLY FAVORABLE).

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3. FRAUD: THE DISMISSAL OF THE EMPLOYEE REFERRED TO ABOVE
RESULTED FROM A MUCH WIDER INVESTIGATION BY THE RSO
WHICH HAS HIGHLIGHTED THE PROBLEM OF DOCUMENTARY FRAUD
IN CONNECTION WITH VISA APPLICATIONS. ALTHOUGH KNOWN
TO EXIST, THE PROBLEM SEEMS TO BE MUCH MORE WIDESPREAD
THAN IMAGINED. THE NEED TO MAINTAIN A HIGHER LEVEL OF
NIV INTERVIEWS IN THE FACE OF THE RISING VOLUME OF
APPLICANTS WILL REQUIRE ANOTHER OFFICER POSITION IN FY
1981. NEITHER THE CONSULAR SECTION NOR THE EMBASSY
HAS A FRAUD UNIT, NOR ANY PERSONNEL TO STAFF ONE.
ABOUT 95 PERCENT OF THE "INVESTIGATIONS" MENTIONED IN
SCHEDULE VI-B-2(A) WERE MERELY PHONE CALLS. THE EMBASSY
NOW HAS ACCESS TO THE SERVICES OF A DETECTIVE OF THE
BOLIVIAN POLICE, WHO, WHEN THE INVESTIGATIONS RELATED
TO THE MALFEASANCE CASE REFERRED TO ABOVE ARE COMPLETED,
WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CONDUCT MORE IN-DEPTH VISA
INVESTIGATIONS IN CERTAIN CASES. HOWEVER, THE
DESIREABILITY OF EVENTUALLY ESTABLISHING A FRAUD UNIT
IN THE CONSULAR SECTION ITSELF SHOULD BE TAKEN AS
ANOTHER JUSTIFICATION FOR A FOURTH OFFICER POSITION

IN FY 1981.

4. SPACE: A MAJOR REDESIGN OF THE PRESENT CONSULAR SECTION WORK SPACE, ACCOMPLISHED IN EARLY 1978, HAS SOMEWHAT ALLEViated THE CRAMPED, OVERCROWDED CONDITIONS OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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OFFICES. HOWEVER, THE LAYOUT IS STILL VERY POOR, AND THE MINSCULE VISA WAITING ROOM CAN NO LONGER HANDLE THE OVERFLOW CROWDS OF NIV APPLICANTS DURING BUSY SEASONS. THE EMBASSY PLANS TO MOVE THE CONSULAR SECTION INTO MORE SPACIOUS QUARTERS IN THE CHANCERY DURING THE PRESENT CALENDAR YEAR IF POSSIBLE. THE ASSISTANCE OF THE CONSULAR ADVISORY TEAM HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO ASSIST IN PLANNING THE LAYOUT OF THE NEW OFFICES.

5. CORRECTION: IN LAST YEAR'S CONSULAR PACKAGE, THE MANHOURS FOR THE CONSULAR AGENT IN SANTA CRUZ WERE INCORRECTLY ADDED INTO THE TOTALS FOR "FULL TIME PERMANENT AMERICANS" OF SCHEDULES I THROUGH IV. THIS YEAR, THE CONSULAR AGENTS' MANHOURS ARE GIVEN SEPARATELY IN SCHEDULE VI, AS INSTRUCTED.

6. EMBASSY IS ABLE TO PROVIDE ONLY A ROUGH ESTIMATE OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SERVICES PERFORMED BY CONSULAR AGENTS, SINCE ADEQUATE RECORDS WERE NOT KEPT. WE NOTE THAT THIS WAS NOT A REQUIREMENT IN LAST YEAR'S PACKAGE. SEE LA PAZ 0593 FOR DISCUSSION OF CONSULAR AGENTS' SERVICES. A DEFINITION OF "SERVICES" WOULD BE HELPFUL IN THIS REGARD.
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