

deeply concerned that U.S. assistance abroad frequently strengthened the recipient government's capacity for repression.<sup>59</sup> Congress was also concerned about the role of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), which trained foreign police in countersubversion, counterguerrilla, and intelligence-gathering techniques.<sup>60</sup> Consequently, Congress adopted §660 of the Foreign Assistance Act in 1974.<sup>61</sup> It prohibited the United States from providing internal security assistance to foreign governments and specifically stated that the U.S. government could not

provide training or advice, or provide any financial support, for police, prisons, or other law enforcement forces for any foreign government or any program of internal intelligence or surveillance on behalf of any foreign government within the United States or abroad.<sup>62</sup>

Although the U.S. government still provided some internal security training during the late 1970s and 1980s through exemptions and waiver provisions, §660 largely halted U.S. involvement in this area. One notable exception was the International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP) in the U.S. Depart-

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