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Subject: Cooperative Agreement No. LAC-0770-A-00-0034-00
Amendment No. 1

Dear Ms. Worrell:

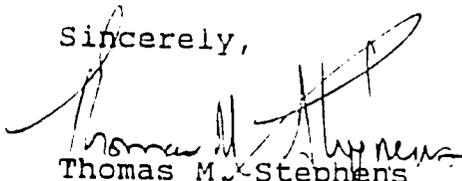
Pursuant to the authority contained in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977, the Agency for International Development (hereinafter referred to as "A.I.D.") hereby modifies the subject Cooperative Agreement with The Center for Democracy (hereinafter referred to as "CFD" or "Recipient"), in order to provide El Salvador bilateral funding in the amount of \$41,244; attach as Attachment 1, the El Salvador Program Description; Attachment 2, the approved budget for this activity, and; Attachment 3, revised Standard Provisions. This Cooperative Agreement is modified as follows:

1. Schedule, C. Amount of Agreement and Payment: delete paragraph 2. in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:
"2. A.I.D. hereby obligates the amount of \$314,244 for the purposes of this Agreement."
2. Schedule, H. Special Provisions: Delete the Mandatory and Optional Standard Provisions originally incorporated by this Cooperative Agreement and replace with the Mandatory and Optional Standard Provisions attached to modification number 1 as Attachment 3.

Except as expressly herein amended, all other terms and conditions of this cooperative agreement remain in full force and effect.

Please acknowledge your acceptance of this Modification by having an authorized official sign all copies of the subject document in the space provided, retain one copy for your files, and return the remaining copies to this office.

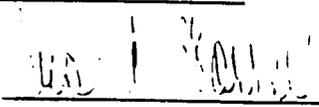
Sincerely,



Thomas M. Stephens
Agreement Officer
Overseas Division - LAC
Office of Procurement

ACCEPTED BY:

THE CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY

SIGNATURE 

TYPED NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: 3/19/91

Fiscal Data

PIO/T: 519-0360-3-10030
Project No: 519-0360
Budget Plan Code: LES1-91-25519-KG13
Source: El Salvador
Amount: \$41,244

Total Amount Obligated to Date: \$814,244
Total Estimated Cost: \$3,000,000

Program Description

I. Background:

El Salvador's political institutions are in process of evolving to support the country's commitment to democratic processes. One of the most important building blocks for a stable democratic political system is a strong Legislative Assembly, capable both of informed participation in the policy-making process and enlightened mutually-supportive relationships with constituents. An effective Assembly would provide a medium of communication between governors and the governed, thereby helping to unify the state.

A.I.D. Project No. 519-0360 will support a number of activities designed to strengthen the ability of the Legislative Assembly to engage in more analytical and informed policy dialogue, internally and with other branches of government. As a result, the Legislature will serve as a more effective instrument to link government and its citizenry, thereby strengthening the credibility and legitimacy of the democratic process. The strategy of the project is to focus on resolving technical constraints to an efficient and effective National Assembly.

The most recent elections in El Salvador (March 10, 1991) significantly changed the face of the Legislative Assembly. No party has an absolute majority in the Assembly, and large number of new members with little previous legislative experience were elected. At the same time, this election and the status of the peace negotiations have placed the Legislative Assembly in a position to play an unprecedented role in shaping the future of El Salvador. The Assembly will be faced with crucial decisions in the implementation of any negotiated settlement. These factors make it clear that the newly elected Assembly would greatly benefit from an orientation seminar to address fundamental procedural and organizational characteristics of the Assembly as well as to orient the new members to their role as legislators.

This PIO/T will finance 50% of the total cost shown in Attachment No. II. LAC/DI will cover the other 50% under the Regional Legislative Development Project. The seminar will be conducted by the Consortium for Legislative Development, which is the grantee under the regional project.

II. Title:

Preliminary Orientation Seminar for the Newly Elected Legislative Assembly in El Salvador

III. Objective:

The objective of this seminar is to provide El Salvador's newly elected legislators and key staff with training in fundamental legislative processes and techniques. The seminar will focus on: (1) giving the members a thorough overview of the Legislative Assembly's structure, organization, and functions; (2) providing information regarding the organization, staffing, and resources necessary for efficient legislative operations; (3) providing a non-partisan setting for a dialogue regarding the role and function of legislatures and legislators in a domestic society.

IV. Tasks:

1. The Grantee in cooperation with the USAID/El Salvador representative and the Technical Committee of the Assembly, formed by members of the different parties represented in this organ, will develop the final seminar program. This program should include the following topics:

- Major Roles of the National Assembly
- Current Legislative Procedures
- The Role of a Democratic Legislature in Building National Consensus
- Turning a Proposal into Legislation and Law
- The Role and Function of Legislative Committees
- The National Budget and the Legislative Assembly-Setting Priorities
- Constituency Services and Local Government
- Media Relations and the Legislative Assembly

The Grantee may suggest other topics to be included in the seminar. The Grantee will submit the final program for the seminar to A.I.D. and the Technical Committee for approval.

2. The Grantee will make all necessary logistical arrangements for carrying out the seminar such as contracting of site, travel arrangements, payments, petty cash management, per diem payment, payment of all in-country and international transportation, selection of and hiring of guest speakers. The financing of all such logistics related to the conference will be the responsibility of the Grantee.
3. The Grantee will deliver a report explaining activities undertaken to achieve this seminar, evaluating the results of the seminar, and making recommendations for future activities. This report should be delivered in draft to the Director of the Office of Democratic Initiatives (ODI), USAID/El Salvador, within 15 days after the Grantee has left El Salvador. A final report in both English and Spanish will be due to USAID/El Salvador. A final report in both English and Spanish will be due to USAID/El Salvador 20 days after ODI has returned the draft report to the Grantee with comments. The Grantee will also delivery one copy in English to LAC/DI.

Salaries	\$4,875
Fringe Benefits	\$1,131
Travel/per diem	\$18,600
Consultants/Temporary Staff	\$9,113
Hotel Facilities	\$21,554
Other Direct Costs	\$4,500
Indirect Costs	<u>\$22,714</u>
Total	\$82,487

Of the total amount budgeted above, \$41,244 is provided by USAID/El Salvador under PIO/T 519-0360-3-10030. The balance of \$41,243 shall be charged to LAC Regional core funding.