



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

November 16, 1998

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to refer the attached information to the Director of Emergency Management to incorporate into an informational piece the ways that citizens can assist Central Americans in the disaster of the hurricane and its aftermath, said information to be distributed as hard copy as well as electronically, and placed on the literature tables at City Hall and other spots to which the public and employees have access.

In City Council November 16, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of seven members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Subj: Honduras
Date: Mon, Nov 16, 1998 9:38 AM EDT
From: Richard Bock@wgbh.org
X-From: Richard Bock@wgbh.org (Richard Bock)
To: HenriDavis@aol.com (Henrietta Davis)

Subject:

Time:

8:33

OFFICE MEMO

Honduras

Date:

11/16/98

Here is WGBH's suggestion:

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As Central America struggles to regroup in the aftermath of Hurricane Mitch, aid organizations are calling for more donations to combat the disease and starvation that have followed the worst Atlantic storm to hit the region in more than 200 years. With more than 10,000 people dead, thousands missing and more than one million people homeless, aid workers are desperately trying to stave off the outbreaks of cholera and dengue fever arising from a lack of clean drinking water and unsanitary conditions. Since many staffers have inquired about offering assistance to the Hurricane Mitch relief efforts, WGBH has compiled a list of several organizations to which employees may choose to make a donation. The American Red Cross (1-800-HELPNOW) will take credit-card donations both over the phone and through its Web site (www.redcross.org). Donations may be mailed to: American Red Cross, International Response Fund, c/o American Red Cross, Hurricane Mitch, 285 Columbus Ave., Boston, 02116-5114. Oxfam America also takes donations over the phone (1-800-77-OXFAM) or by mail: Oxfam America, Central America Relief Fund, 26 West St., Boston, 02111. Staff also may choose to send contributions to United Jewish Appeal, Federation of North America, c/o Central America Relief, 111 Eighth Ave., Suite 11E, New York, NY 10011-5201. Because of the sheer magnitude of the crisis in Central America, most aid organizations are encouraging monetary donations. There is, however, a need for the following items: powdered milk, Pedialyte, non-perishable canned food, diapers, baby food, soap, toothpaste and brushes, beans, rice, insect repellent, generators and clean drinking water. (Due to the overwhelming response from Greater Bostonians, local aid groups are requesting that no more clothing be donated at this time.) The following groups are accepting items from the above list: Alianza Hispana (617-427-7175, x243), Catholic Charities (617-542-9292) Centro Presente (617-497-9080) and the Honduran American Relief Committee (617-474-9173).

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Consent Order #38

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Councillor Davis re: information regarding ways that citizens can assist Central Americans be distributed as hard copy and electronically, and placed on the literature table at City Hall and other spots to which the public and employees have access.

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