

EL SALVADOR

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HMG have now had an opportunity to study the information provided by the US Government about arms supplies to insurgent groups in El Salvador. This points to activities which can only be regarded as gross interference in the internal affairs of El Salvador and HMG support the Government of the United States in calling for it to end.

HMG note, with concern, the continuing violence inside El Salvador and the suffering and hardship this causes to the people of that country. HMG condemn such violence from whatever quarter. They look to the Government of El Salvador to take all possible steps to protect the Salvadorean people from violations of basic human rights and, in particular, to exercise firm control over all government institutions and organisations.

HMG consider that the people of El Salvador should be able to determine their own future peacefully and democratically.