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- 2. Regret delay in reply reftel A.
- Ambassador and DATT agree on need for two additional positions in DAO office Tegucigalpa, subject to some adjustments in office space arrangements.
- First priority is for a clerk-typist cleared through Secret to partially relieve Operations Coordinator and Intelligence Assistant for other duties in addition to meeting growing reporting requirements. This can probably be arranged locally without increase in permanent DAO staffing; but we would welcome PCS clerk-typist, if that an be arranged.

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5. Second priority is for the addition of one officer, an Assistant Army Attache and rated pilot. We considered and rejected other service possibilities. Additional Air Force officer would make DAO lopsided; Navy or Marine would lack meaningful counterparts; and Army is politically most important service here. Ambassador is particularly interested in Assistant Army Attache in order to strengthen contacts throughout army establishment here. Rated pilot requirement is pretty much self-explanatory. Believe it desirable to spread burden of flying attache plane on missions throughout Central America.

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