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## **Honduras To Formally Request Withdrawal Of World Court Suit Filed By Nicaragua**

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On Dec. 20, Foreign Minister Mario Carias announced that his government will soon formalize its request to the Nicaraguan government to withdraw a World Court suit against Tegucigalpa filed in 1987. According to Carias, at the recently concluded regional summit in Puntarenas, Costa Rica, Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Enrique Dreyfuss said that the suit would be dropped within 90 days. The former Nicaraguan administration claimed that the Honduran government had violated international law by tolerating the use of its territory by Nicaraguan contras to make war against Nicaragua. The World Court, formally known as the International Court of Justice, is the legal branch of the United Nations. (Basic data from ACAN-EFE, 12/20/90)

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