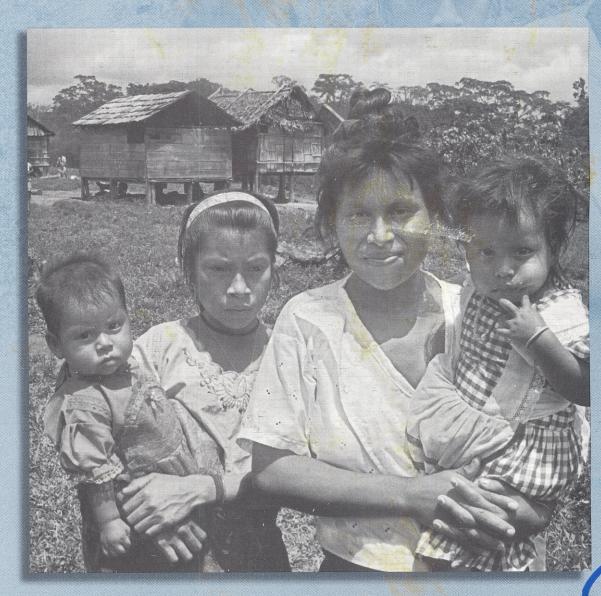


# American-Nicaraguan Foundation

# 1998 ANNUAL REPORT



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ANF Distribution Center in Nicaragua



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As a repeat visitor to Central America since Hurricane Mitch... I have witnessed the outpouring of humanitarian assistance from the United States and its impact... I would like to cite a few examples... For years the American-Nicaraguan Foundation has helped distribute donations in Nicaragua through local outlets... In response to Hurricane Mitch, the Foundation purchased and received food and medicine for victims... These supplies were part of the immediate response in November to hurricane devastation.

Senator Graham from Florida, Congressional Record March 19,1999.

I would like to formally thank the American-Nicaraguan Foundation for quickly sending desperately needed food for the evacuation of 195 families during Hurricane Mitch...

José Benito Espinoza, Mayor of Mateare, Nicaragua November 1998.

We thank the American-Nicaraguan Foundation with all of our heart for its generosity... The food you provided fed 126 families in Leon that lost their homes in the Hurricane... God bless you.

Comunidad de Pureza, León, Nicaragua November 1998.

Thank you for the donation of medicine, food, clothes, and educational material... with your support we are able to lend a helping hand to the poorest of the poor in Chinandega.

Father Marco Dessy, Fundación Chinandega 2001, Nicaragua April 1999.

Please receive our whole hearted thanks for responding in such a positive way to our request for help. The educational materials you provided our school are helping to address some of our many needs. The teachers and students who benefit from them are praying that people you solicit these items from will continue to support you and Nicaragua.

San Francisco de Asís School, Nagarote, Nicaragua April 1999.

In name of all the children at "Our Little Brothers" orphanage we wish to extend our sincere gratitude for your beautiful humanitarian support. The clothes and shoes, which were desperately needed, benefited many children... Again, our sincere thanks to all of you for your great work for children.

Raúl Durán, Director, Programa Orfanatos, Managua, Nicaragua April 1999.

I would like to thank you for the very important donation to the Children's Hospital, which included patient beds, sheets, wheel chairs, and food. This donation has come just in time. We hope that your love for the children of Nicaragua continues.

Children's Hospital, Managua, Nicaragua November 1998.

Our situation has changed dramatically since we met the American-Nicaraguan Foundation... The funding you provided helped us to purchase a stove, mixer, pans and all the necessary items to start our bakery. After feeding the children at the orphanage, we sell the bread to the community. The revenue helps us cover costs of running the center...

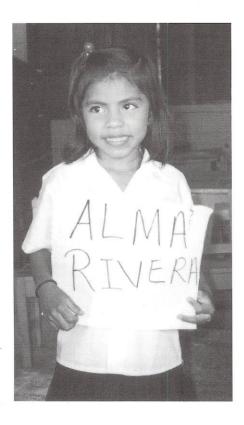
We have a future full of optimism. Thank you.

Catholic Mission to the Miskito Indians, Bluefields, Nicaragua June 1999.



# American Nicaraguan Foundation

As people become educated and improve or regain their health, they seek to actively participate in their economic development as well as that of their communities.





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### **Mission**

Emphasizing full accountability, we focus our energy and resources on obtaining and distributing quality supplies and funds to local reliable organizations that provide basic and long term relief to the poor, distressed and underprivileged peoples of Nicaragua, in order to measurably improve living standards toward self-sufficiency.

### Pledge

With blessings from God, we will continue to maximize our existing network of donors and recipients, and cultivate new opportunities in order to improve our work and guarantee the needy receive health care, education and a quality life.

### **Focus**

ANF focuses its support in three areas: Health Services, which includes medical attention, nutrition and personal hygiene; Education, which covers pre-k through secondary schools as well as vocational training; and Development Projects, which range from water wells to training centers, to housing.

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# **Summary of Activities**

Since ANF was founded in 1992, we have been investing in education and health care as a means to improve living conditions of the poorest Nicaraguans. Our first year of operation, we were proud to distribute 17 ocean freight containers of needed supplies valued at over \$2.5 million.

Each year, the number of containers, their value and the quality of the products grow as does the number of organizations and individuals that benefit from them. Recently, ANF began investing in sustainable development projects such as water wells, vocational centers, and women's training programs.

In just six years, thanks to the generosity of our donors, ANF has distributed 506 freight containers of medicine, equipment, food, clothes, and furniture and funded self-help projects valued at over \$96 million.

### 1992-1998 Value of Investment \$96,280,860

1998 was a challenging year for us all. In October Hurricane Mitch devastated Central America destroying homes, communities and families. The local and international community responded quickly to help the hundreds of thousands in need.

ANF donors helped save lives in Nicaragua. Thanks to your support and that of other donors like you, ANF was able to secure 70 containers of desperately needed food, medicine, clothes and other aid valued at \$8 million plus over \$1,666,000 in cash for relief efforts in just three months.

The donations were quickly dispersed to our established network of partner organizations, who made sure the supplies reached those in need. In some cases ANF support was the first to reach Mitch victims.

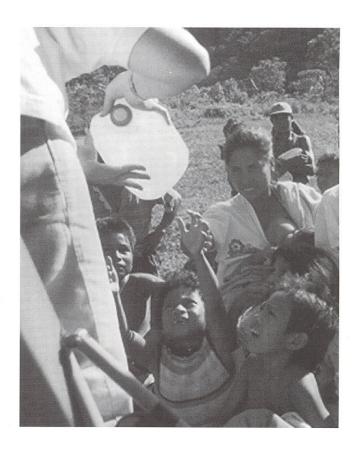
Mitch aid, coupled with earlier investments in education, health services and development projects brought ANF's 1998 aid to Nicaragua to an astounding \$39.6 million, nearly double our investment in 1997.

### 1998 Investment \$39,568,254

Despite the incredible increase in demand for ANF support and the Foundation's growth to meet those needs, ANF maintained its administrative expenses near 1%.

### 1.1% Operating Expenses

We work hard to make sure that every dollar you donate reaches the people who need it most.



# **Investing in People-Over 1 Million a Year**

For nearly 7 years, ANF's method of helping the poor has remained the same. We reach out to those in need and help them help themselves. We do this by raising funds and securing requested materials, which we distribute to local partner organizations.

In 1998, ANF supported 303 local organizations including 70 dispensaries, 23 health care centers, 93 nutritional centers, 21 hospitals, 27 homes and 69 schools.

# ANF supported 303 local organizations

Each day, ANF partner organizations fed over 15,600 men, women and children and administered medical attention to nearly 7,200.

They provided 11,000 students with desks and over 1 million with basic school supplies. Together, these local organizations served 34,000 men, women and children each day and over 1 million a year.

Many of our partners would not be able to service their communities without our support. On average, ANF provided 45% of the medical related needs of our partners and 80% of their nutritional needs. ANF's backing is critical as these organizations develop and grow into primary service providers.

Served 34,054 men, women and children each day and over 1 million a year.

On the following pages, we introduce you to some of these organizations.



### **Health Services**

During the past year, ANF's Health Services Program was organized around three primary areas of interest: increasing access to health services, building health services capacity, and improving nutrition.

Within this framework, ANF supported over 300 organizations by providing medicine, medical supplies, equipment, food, clothes and personal hygiene items. The program

sought to foster improved health and nutrition in the rural and urban poor through prevention and delivery of services closer to home.

# Increasing Access to Health Services

The program aimed to increase access to health services by supporting a number of organizations that care for both

the rural and urban poor in their communities. For example, Enrique de Osso, a dispensary located in a high poverty and crime area of Managua, provides integral health care to over 100 people each day.

General practitioners provide checkups and overall care, while specialists see patients with more specialized needs. The new on-site lab provides immediate results while the pharmacy dispenses medicine as prescribed. All of this care is available for a minimal fee. If a patient can't afford the quota, a donation is requested.

Last year, ANF provided Enrique de Osso with extensive medicine, medical equipment and supplies. These donations help keep Enrique de Osso and many other health care providers' doors open to the poor.

### **Building Health Services Capacity**

The program also supported expanding health services capacity. In some cases cen-

ters utilized funds they would have spent on medicine or supplies to attract quality doctors and/or expand services. In others, ANF provided medical equipment so care could be extended beyond the center's current capacity. ANF donated equipment, beds and supplies to Hogar de Providencia, an elderly home in Granada, so doctors could provide more comprehensive and long term care on-

site. Prior to the donation, only routine checkups were performed. More specialized care required traveling to an outside facility. Since many of the patients are too fragile to travel, onsite care was critical.

### **Improving Nutrition**

In 1998, ANF distributed 83 containers of rice, beans, corn, soy, milk, food, nutritional drinks and water. Donations were made

to organizations across the country including feeding centers, schools and dispensaries. Along with food donations, ANF encouraged the centers to include training on proper food preparation. Several organizations started programs to teach mothers that malnutrition is not always a result of a lack of food but often a lack of the right food.

ANF distributed... \$31 million in medicine \$4 million in food \$2.5 million in clothes

In 1998, ANF supported 70 dispensaries, 23 health centers, 21 hospitals, 93 nutritional centers, and 27 homes. A complete list of organizations can be found at the end of this report.

# Education

In 1998, the Foundation's Education Program continued to focus on improving urban and rural schools serving the poor. In addition, the program supported the work of organizations that provide specialized training.

### Basic Education

ANF provided... desks to 11,000 students supplies to 1,000,000 In the area of basic

education, ANF sought to foster more effective teaching and learning in rural and urban poor schools by providing teachers and students with, at least, the most basic educational materials. ANF equipped classrooms with student and teacher desks; provided textbooks; supplied research materials for libraries; and provided paper, pencils and other basic supplies.

It is hard to imagine a school that doesn't have enough desks for all of its students; 8 preschoolers sharing a single crayon; and libraries with empty shelves. Unfortunately, this is the reality of many schools in Nicaragua, making it difficult to combat the high illiteracy rate: 40% in rural areas; and even higher drop out rates: 50% drop out before fifth grade. ANF's investments are on the right track though. Results show that when children are stimulated in a

positive learning environment, they have higher self esteem, are more creative and stay in school longer.

### Vocational and **Specialized Training**

Last year ANF also supported schools and community based organizations providing vocational training.

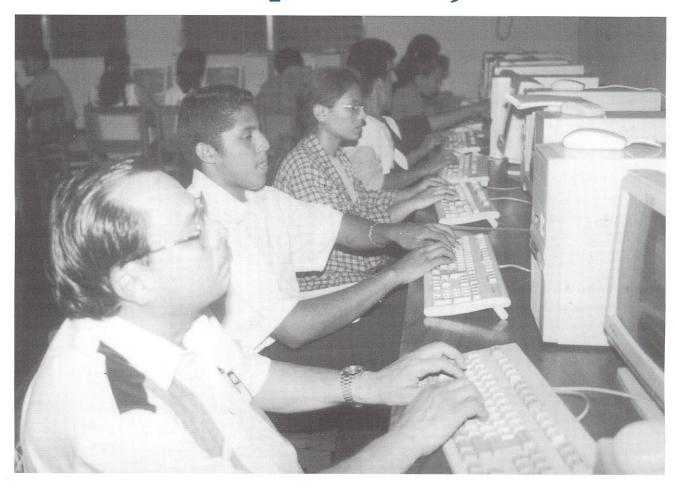
These programs, which include computer skills, woodworking, mechanics and beauty school, to name a few, benefited both chil-

dren and adults. One example is Amico, a pre-k through secondary school located in a marginal area of the capital city. ANF donated typewriters, computers and sewing machines to the school for use in their regular curriculum. Students attend classes in all three areas, moving to different levels as they progress. On the weekends, courses are open to the community for a minimal fee.

The Amico program is aimed at teaching skills that promote self sufficiency and will help create sustainable change. The students, old and young, leave Amico with knowledge they can use in the job market. At the same time, the weekend program serves as a source of income for the school. helping to cover some of the costs associated with the courses such as electricity, software, and repairs.

> In 1998, ANF distributed 88 containers of educational materials and supported 69 schools serving the poor.

# **Development Projects**



In addition to supporting health services and education, ANF also funded specific development projects.

### In 1998 ANF secured \$1,057,049 for development projects

Organizations were invited to submit proposals requesting project funding. In an effort to allow organizations the flexibility to request support for the most pressing issues in their communities, ANF did not specify areas of interest. Priority was given to activities that provide long term benefits for partner organizations and/or the communities they serve. In some cases, ANF supported efforts to improve or expand existing facilities and services. In others, it funded projects that will provide new services.

## Some 1998 Projects:

Water and Sanitation
Electricity
Feeding Center
Glue Sniffing Rehabilitation
Vocational Center
Building Improvements
Housing
Dental Programs
Computers

## **Hurricane Mitch**

For six days last October, Hurricane Mitch raged through Central America leaving hundreds of thousands of victims behind. In Nicaragua, over 800,000 people were affected by the disaster, tens of thousands lost their homes and nearly 2,500 lost their lives.

People across Central and Northwestern Nicaragua were cut off from the rest of the country without food, potable water, and electricity. Many took to the roofs of their homes and trees to escape the rapidly rising waters. Fear of hunger and the spread of life threatening diseases such as malaria, diarrhea and conjunctivitis were major concerns.

The long term structural affects on the country were equally alarming. Riverbeds were broadened, new lakes emerged, and crops and fertile land were washed away, changing Nicaragua's landscape dramatically. Health, education, transportation and electrical infrastructures were destroyed, making rescue and rebuilding efforts more challenging.

The poor were the hardest hit by Mitch – and most of the poor were children. More than 50% of Nicaragua's population is under the age of 15. Many were left with no parents, little to eat and less hope for the future. Total damages are estimated at \$1.3 billion.

# Responding to those in Need

ANF quickly responded to Hurricane Mitch securing 70 containers filled with desperately needed food, medicine, clothes and personal hygiene items and over \$1,666,000. Working with an already established network of partner organizations ensured aid reached victims quickly.

Fundación Chinandega 2001 was one of the many organizations supported by ANF that provided food, water, health care, shelter and other relief aid during the disaster. Serving one of the areas hardest hit by the Hurri-



cane, the Foundation was the life line for thousands of victims of the Casita Volcano landslide, and other villages in the region. Volunteers carried food and water on their backs in waist high water to save their neighbors. They helped victims look for lost loved ones, moved families to safer ground and perhaps most importantly, gave them hope in a time when they had none.

With support from Food For The Poor, ANF also began plans to rebuild a community devastated by the Hurricane. The ANF-FFP project will move families out of a dangerous flood area into 263 new brick homes. The success of the program not only relies on the financial support of FFP and ANF, but also on

# **Hurricane Mitch**

the families themselves who will help build their new community.

Thanks to your generous support, ANF was able to provide 77 organizations with needed food, medicine and supplies that saved thousands of lives. With your continued support, ANF will play an active role in the rebuilding of Nicaragua after Hurricane Mitch.

### **Hurricane Mitch Relief**

ANF secured \$1,666,000 in cash and distributed the following containers:

- 9 medical containers
  - 46 food and water
  - 6 personal hygiene
  - 9 clothes/assorted

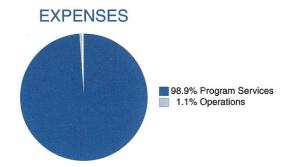
Total Value \$9 million



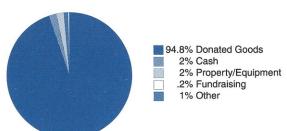




# **Financial Statement**



### REVENUE



### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets Cash Property/Equipment Inventory Total Assets	264,090 192,145 1,724,026 2,180,261
Liabilities Account Payable Notes Payable Total Current Liabilities	5,060 5,018 1 0,078
Long Term Debt Notes Payable	144,383
Net (Deficiency) Assets	2,025,800
Total Assets & Liabilities	2,180,261

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Support & Kevenue	
Donations - medical/educational	39,271,695
Cash	825,074
Property/Equipment	846,787
Fundraising	86,300
Other	399,232
Total Support	41,429,088

#### **Expenses**

Program Services	39,101,251
Fundraising	29,403
Management	437,600
Total Expenses	39,568,254

Net Assets Beginning Year 164,966

Net Assets (Def) End Year 2,025,800

Year ended December 31st, 1998. An audited financial statement is available upon request. Since its first year of service ANF's audit has been prepared by Arthur Andersen.

### **ANF's Growth**





# **Partner Organizations**

**Dispensaries** 

Centro Juan Pablo II Barrio Dimitrov

Centro Juvenil Don Bosco

Clínica Disp. San Francisco Javier

Clínica Pediátrica Roberto Clemente

Comedor Caña de Castilla

Comedor María Auxiliadora

Comedor Vida Nueva/Damas Vicentinas

Comedor Virgen del Río

El Rosario

Madre Carmen Fe Y Alegría

Nuestra Señora de los Remedios

Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro

Padre José María Vela

San Francisco Palula

Santa Lucía

Santa Teresita de Jesús

Candelaria y San Rafael

Escuela Técnica Belén

Fray Odorico D'andrea

Nuestra Señora de Dolores

Alesiano Laura Vicuña

San José Obrero

San Martín de Porras

Clínica San Vicente

Concepción de María

Contraloría General de la República

Cristo Rev

El Calvarito

Hermano Pedro Betancourt

La Concepción

Madre de Dios

Medalla Milagrosa

Nuestra Señora de Fátima

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro

Nuestra Señora del Socorro

Nuestra Señora de Fátima

Padre Ernesto Luna

Parroquial de Sébaco

Parroquial Zaragoza

Sagrado Corazón de Jesús

San Antonio

San Cristóbal

San Francisco de Asís

San Isidro De La Cruz Verde

San Pablo Apóstol

Santa Luisa De Merillac

Santa Rosa

Sor Carmen Mendieta

Escuela Enrique de Ossó

Fundación Remar

Fundación 2001

Hnas. Cristo Obrero Amigo

Hnas. Misioneras de Madre Teresa

Hnas. Misioneras de Madre Teresa

Hogar de Niñas Divina Providencia

Hogar de Niñas Laura Vicuña

Hogar Zacarías Guerra

Iglesia de Cristo Maranatha

Obras del Hno. Pedro Betancourt

Obras del Hno. Pedro/Fray Guillermo

Parroquia Monte Tabor

Parroquia Sagrada Familia

Parroquia San Juan Bautista

Señor de la Divina Providencia

#### **Health Centers**

Apostolado de los Enfermos

Asociación Pro-Niños Quemados de Nicaragua

Asociación Protectora del Niño Abandonado

Asociación Familia Padre Fabretto

Centro de Rehabilitación "Cara"

Centro de Salud "Rolando Carazo"

Centro de Salud de Nagarote

Centro de Salud de San Marcos

Centro Dermatológico "San Damián"

Centro Nac. de Oftalmología

Centro Oftalmológico "Maricela Toledo"

Comisión Diocesana Acción Social (5)

Cruz Roja de Nicaragua

Disp. de da Parroquia San Benito de Palermo

Obras Sociales de Catedral de Managua

Pastoral Carcelaria

Pastoral Carcelaria "La Esperanza"

Silais Carazo

Sociedad San Vicente de Paul

#### **Elderly & Childrens' Homes**

Asociación Familia Padre Fabretto

Casa Jacinta v Francisco

Fundación 2001

Guardería Niño Jesús de Praga

Hogar Alegría de Niñas

Hogar Angeles Niños/Discapacitados

Hogar Cristo Sana a los Niños

Hogar de Ancianos Evaristo López Carazo

Hogar De Ancianos San Pedro Clever (2)

Hogar De Ancianos San Francisco, Sébaco

Hogar De Niñas Div. Providencia

Hogar De Niñas La Recolección

Hogar De Niñas Laura Vicuña

# **Partner Organizations**

Hogar de Ancianos Evaristo López C

Hogar de Ancianos San Pedro Člaver

Hogar de Niñas La Recolección

Hogar de Niñas Laura Vicuña

Hogar de Niñas San José

Hogar de Niños Divino Rostro

Hogar de Protección Pajarito Azul

Hogar El Anciano

Hogar El Niño - Comedor

Hogar Escuela Niños Minusválidos

Hogar Lumen Christi

Hogar Niñas Divina Providencia

Hogar Nuestra Señora del Socorro

Hogar San José/Medalla Milagrosa

Hospital Infantil

Hospital Psiquiátrico

Hospital Rosario Lacayo

Movimiento Divino Niño

Obra Salesiana de Granada

Obras Del Hno. Pedro/ Fray Guillermo

Obras Mons. Federico Argüello

Oratorio Comedor Sor María Romero

Parroquia Belmonte

Parroquia Cristo Rey

Parroquia Jalteva (Comunidad)

Parroquia Monte Tabor

Parroquia Sagrada Familia

Parroquia San Agustín

Parroquia San Francisco de Asís

Parroquia Santa Ana

Pastoral Carcelaria "La Esperanza"

Pobres de Parroquia de Jalteva

Sede Club Santa Lucía

Seminario La Purísima

Seminario Mayor San Pedro Apóstol

Seminario Redemptoris Mater

Señor de La Divina Providencia

Siervas Misioneras de "Cristo Rey"

Hospitals

Hospital Alemán Nicaragüense

Hospital Amin Halum

Hospital Antonio Lenin Fonseca

Hospital Berta Calderón

Hospital Carlos Roberto Huembes

Hospital Cesar Amador Molina

Hospital De Amistad Japón-Nicaragua

Hospital Escuela Oscar Danilo Rosales

Hospital España

Hospital Fernando Vélez Páiz

Hospital García Laviana

Hospital Hilario Sánchez

**Hospital Infantil** 

Hospital José Niebroski

Hospital Manolo Morales

Hospital Materno Infantil

Hospital Modesto Agurcia Moncada

Hospital Psiquiátrico

Hospital Rosario Lacayo

Hospital San José

Hospital Santiago Regional

#### **Schools**

Academia Santa María

Asociación Familia Padre Fabretto (5)

Centro Educativo Ma. Auxiliadora

Centro Escolar Adventista

Centro Escolar Enrique de Osso

Centro Escolar La Recolección

Centro Escolar La Trinidad

Centro Escolar Lumen Christi

Centro Escolar Madre Teresa de Calcuta

Centro Escolar Perla del Gran Lago

Centro Escolar San Benito Palermo

Centro Escolar San Juan Bosco

Centro Escolar San Pedro

Colonia Inmaculada Concepción de María

Colonia Mons. Francisco Ulloa

Colonia San Vicente de Paul

Colonia Sor María Romero

Colonia Sra. Divina Misericordia

Colegio Cristo Obrero

Colegio Miguel Larreynaga

Colegio Parroquial Monte Tabor (5)

Colegio San Pedro Claver

Colegios Fe y Alegría (19)

Escuela San Andrés Alto

Escuela Casa Betania

Escuela Casa Betama Escuela Católica Belén

Escuela Católica San Jorge

Escuela Divino Pastor

Escucia Divino i astor

Escuela Haldo Dubón

Escuela María Auxiliadora

Escuela María Mazarello

Escuela Nuestra Sra. de los Dolores

Escuela Parroquial Madre de Dios

Escuela Parroquial San Fco. Javier

Escuela San Francisco de Asís

Escuela Virgen del Río

Escuelas Obras del Hermano Pedro

Hogar Alegría

Hogar de Niñas Laura Vicuña

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Instituto Tecnológico Nacional

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