An estimated 4000 Bostonians marched from Copley Square to Government Center on May 14, 1983. The march, held to protest US intervention in Central America, was sponsored by community, church, and student groups from Maine to Connecticut. Among the protestors who attended the rally were members of the MIT Committee on Central America and La Union Chicana por Aztlán. Governor Michael Dukakis and Boston mayoral candidate Mel King were among the politicians who sent letters of support for the rally. Rusty Davenport, the master of ceremonies from OXFAM America, began the rally at Government Center with a call to end the "secret" US-sponsored war against Nicaragua. Representatives from the Nicaraguan government and the Salvadoran opposition political organization, the Frente Democratico Revolucionario, were the main speakers. Also on hand to provide his political message through song was Puerto Rican Roy Brown. The rally ended five hours after the march began.