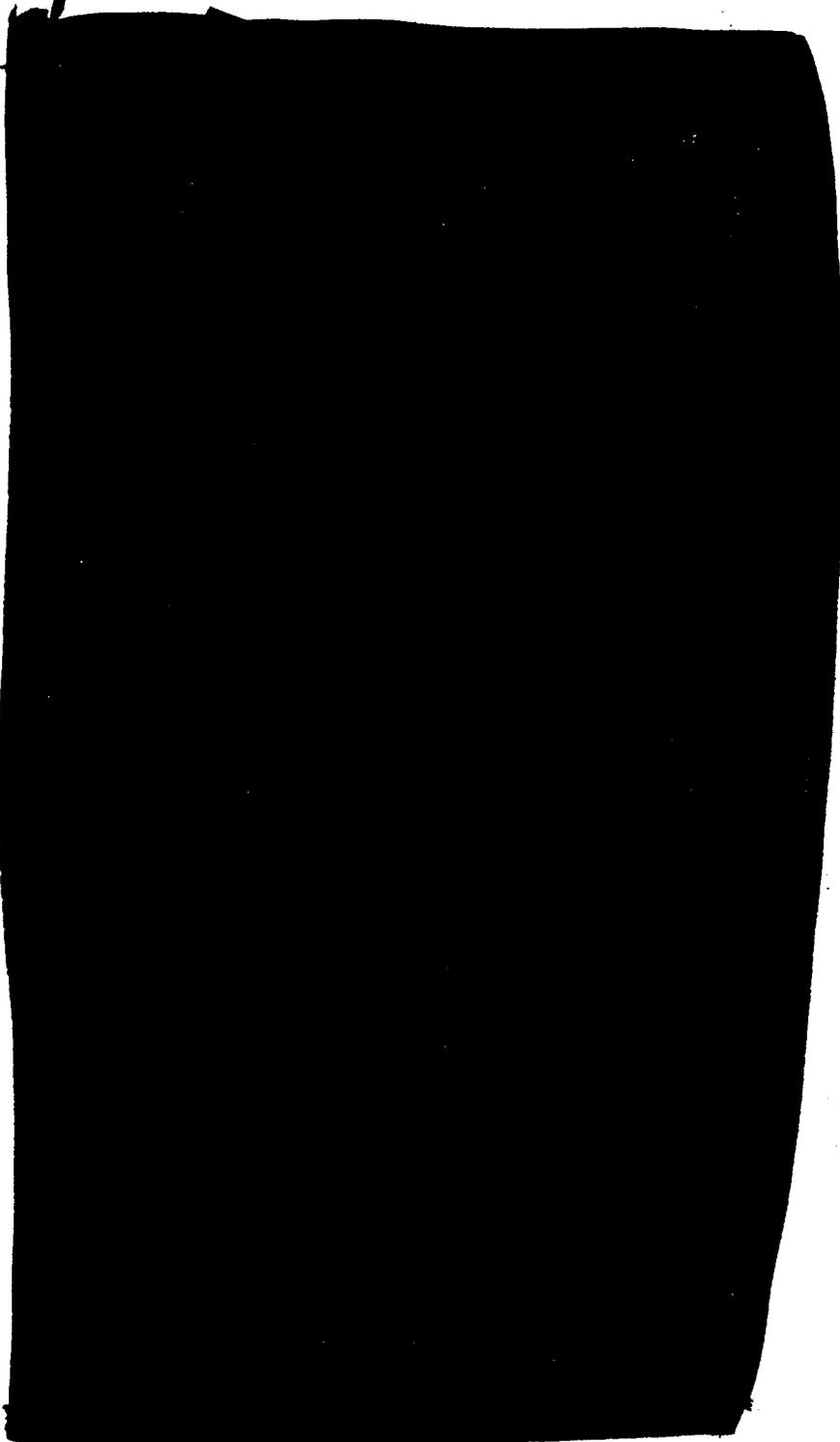


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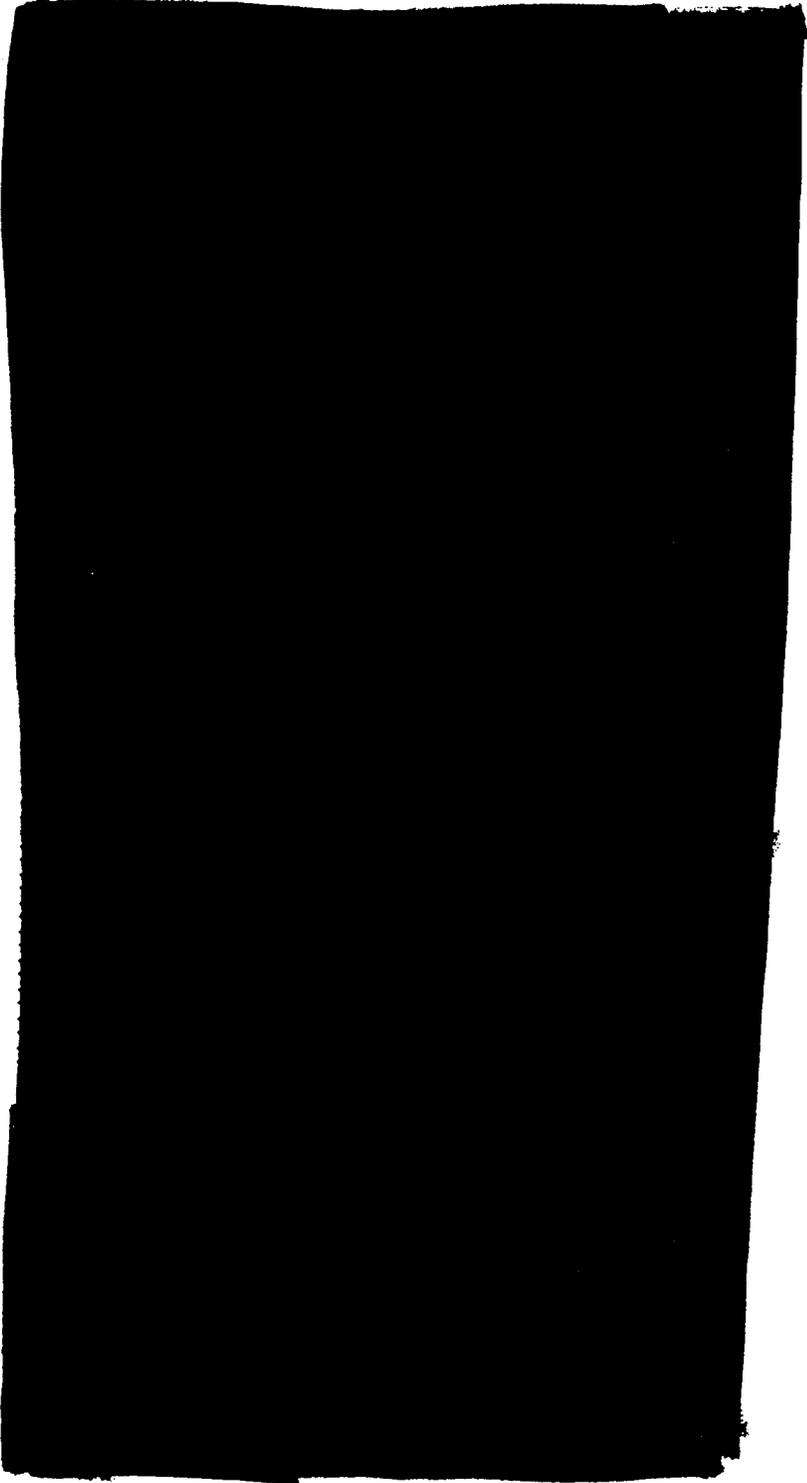
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1. GUATEMALA: TENSIONS OVER REFUGEES PRODUCE VIOLENCE [REDACTED]

A CLASH ON THURSDAY BETWEEN ARMY TROOPS AND FORMER REFUGEES IN NORTHERN GUATEMALA LEFT AT LEAST 10 DEAD AND MANY MORE WOUNDED, ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] PRESS REPORTS. MINISTER OF DEFENSE ENRIQUEZ HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE ARMY OPENED FIRE BUT CLAIMS IT WAS IN SELF-DEFENSE BECAUSE THE RETURNEES TRIED TO DISARM THE TROOPS, WHO HAD BEEN INVITED TO A CELEBRATION; ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, ENRIQUEZ HAS RESIGNED OVER THE INCIDENT, AND HIS NUMBER TWO, GENERAL MARCO ANTONIO GONZALEZ TARACENA, HAS BEEN NAMED AS

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HIS SUCCESSOR. PRESS REPORTS SAY THREE SOLDIERS WERE AMONG THE WOUNDED. [REDACTED]

-- GUATEMALAN HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS HAVE CONDEMNED THE INCIDENT AS AN ARMY MASSACRE. THE SPECIAL UN HUMAN RIGHTS INSPECTOR, BY COINCIDENCE, BEGAN HER REGULAR VISIT YESTERDAY; PAST UN REPORTS HAVE CRITICIZED THE GOVERNMENT. [REDACTED]

THIS WAS THE FIRST CLASH INVOLVING ARMY TROOPS SINCE A GROUP OF 6,000 REFUGEES RETURNED FROM MEXICO A YEAR AGO. //RURAL CONFRONTATIONS BETWEEN RESIDENTS AND RETURNEES OVER LAND RIGHTS AND ACCESS TO LIMITED AID CONTINUE TO FESTER, // HOWEVER.

-- MORE THAN 40,000 GUATEMALAN REFUGEES REMAIN IN MEXICO //AND HAVE SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL TO PROVOKE VIOLENCE UPON RETURN.// [REDACTED]

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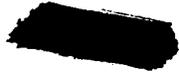
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