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**INDIA: Reinforcements in Punjab**

[REDACTED] Army troops are replacing paramilitary units along the Indo-Pakistani border in Punjab and Rajasthan States. The redeployment [REDACTED] will free the additional Border Security Forces for internal security duties. Sikh dissidents in Punjab are preparing to begin a new protest campaign against the government on Sunday. [REDACTED]

**Comments:** Prime Minister Gandhi probably is responding to growing demands for a crackdown on Sikh violence. She is likely to use the Army only as a last resort but may calculate that its presence will help restrain the Sikhs. The movement of Army troops to the border is likely to increase Pakistani concerns over Indian intentions. [REDACTED]

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