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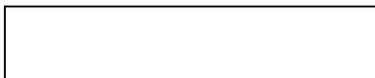
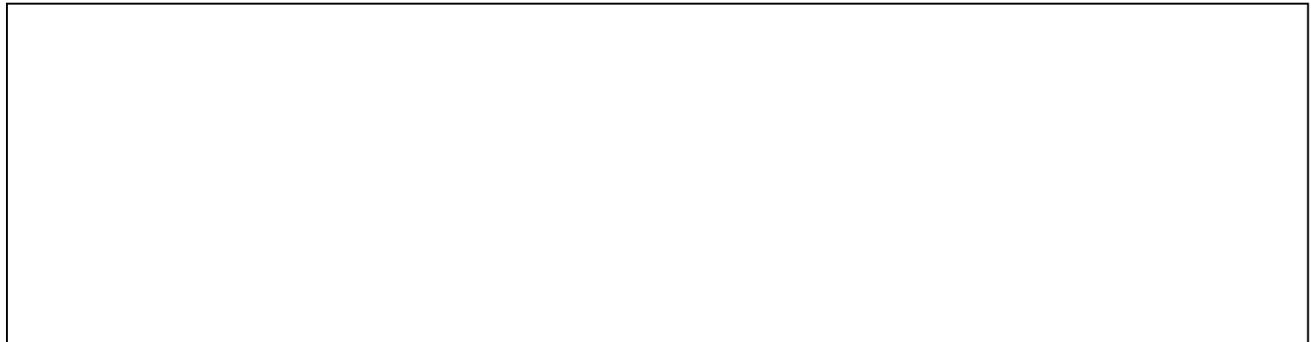
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Indonesia: Violence Mars Opposition Rally (U)

Press reports say as many as 100 people were injured yesterday in Jakarta when troops clashed with some 5,000 supporters of Megawati Sukarnoputri, leader of the Indonesian Democratic Party (PDI).

— The demonstrators were protesting the opening of a government-sanctioned party meeting in Medan, during which PDI dissidents, supported by the government, plan to oust Megawati, according to press reports. (U)

Megawati, a possible challenger to President Soeharto in 1998, has called on her supporters to adopt a nonviolent approach, *but selection of a new leader by the rump party congress could provoke more violent confrontations with government forces.* 