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SUBJECT: COLOMBIAN-VENEZUELAN RELATIONS

REF: FBIS CHIVA CHIVA PN 4614 0990223 DATED 9 APR 83

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. ACCORDING TO THE CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE OF COLOMBIAN  
ARMED FORCES, THE CLASHES BETWEEN VENEZUELAN AND  
COLOMBIAN MILITARY DESCRIBED IN REF DID NOT TAKE  
PLACE. IN FACT, MEMBERS OF THE COUNTRIES' ARMED  
FORCES MET LAST WEEK TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO JOINTLY  
CONFRONT THE KIDNAPPERS AND CATTLE RUSTLERS THAT  
OPERATE IN THE BORDER AREA. (ACCORDING TO "EL TIEMPO",  
THERE HAVE BEEN ABOUT 30 KIDNAPPINGS ALONG  
THE VENEZUELAN-COLOMBIAN BORDER IN THE PAST YEAR.)

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