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1. Current opinion in Spanish military circles holds that Major General Mohamed Ben WIZZIAN Ben Kasem, commander, 92 Infantry Division, should be given command of the armed forces of Spanish Morocco. Discord has consequently grown between Wizzian and Lieutenant General Jose Enrique VARELA, present commander of the Spanish Zone.
2. General Wizzian has not been promoted to the rank of lieutenant general, source believes, because of his refusal to be converted from the Moslem to the Roman Catholic faith. Furthermore, Wizzian's stand has resulted in antagonism between himself and Generalissimo Franco.

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