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- 1. During the course of a press interview on 16 November for El Diario de Nov. a pro-unionist newspaper, President Castaneda of El Salvador made some off-the-record remarks. He stated that he had no fear of leaving the country should the proposed meeting of Central American presidents materialize, since he controlled the Army completely.
- 2. Castaneda added that he controlled all the other candidates (whom he would invite to make the trip with him), and that none of them could make a move without his authorization.

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