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3. [REDACTED] SERVED FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS IN EL SALVADOR AND MAINTAINS CLOSE RELATIONS WITH SENIOR OFFICERS. IN EARLY AUGUST 1990 HE VISITED SAN SALVADOR WHERE HE MET WITH MINISTER OF DEFENSE LARIOS AND CHIEF OF STAFF PONCE. ONE OF THE SUBJECTS DISCUSSED WAS THE KILLING OF THE JESUITS LAST YEAR. [REDACTED] SAID THAT LARIOS TOLD HIM THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHO KILLED THE PRIESTS, BUT BELIEVED IT WAS COLONEL BENAVIDES. LARIOS SAID THAT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE, HOWEVER. LARIOS DID SAY THAT NEITHER HE NOR PONCE HAD GIVEN THE ORDER FOR THE MURDERS.

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END OF MESSAGE

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