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ON 30 OCTOBER, POLICE ELEMENTS REINFORCED BY NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS RESPONDED TO RIOTS AT THE SAN CARLOS MILITARY PRISON IN CARACAS, WHERE JUNIOR OFFICERS INVOLVED IN LAST FEBRUARY'S COUP ATTEMPT ARE BEING HELD. PRESS SOURCES INDICATE THAT THE REBELLIOUS OFFICERS WERE ARMED AND HELD AS HOSTAGES THE PRISON COMMANDER AND A CHAPLAIN IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR FREEDOM. AFTER A TENSE FIVE HOURS, THE IMPRISONED OFFICERS RELEASED THEIR HOSTAGES AND SURRENDERED. THERE WERE REPORTEDLY NO CASUALTIES. LAST FEBRUARY'S COUP ATTEMPT LEADER, LTC HUGO CHAVEZ, IS NOT CURRENTLY DETAINED AT THE SAME FACILITY. HOWEVER,