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SUMMARY: REASONS FOR POSTPONING SOME TRAINING INITIATIVES WITH THE CONCERNED WITH LEFTIST EFFORTS TO UNDERMINE HIS PROGRAMS, NONETHELESS HE'LL PUSH ON SLOWLY. LATE SEPT COULD BE A PROBLEM BECAUSE OF LEFTIST ACTIVITIES IN UNIVERSITIES.

2. ABOUT A RECENT RADIO REPORT THAT CLAIMED FOREIGN MINISTER, RETIRED GENERAL FERNANDO (OCHOA) ANTICH, HAD STATED THAT IT WAS NOT IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST TO PROSECUTE JAILED COUP LEADER LTC HUGO (CHAVEZ) FRIAS. THAT HE SHOULD BE PARDONED SINCE HIS PROSECUTION COULD PERHAPS CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS.

WRONG MESSAGE AND PERHAPS CREATE OTHER PROBLEMS FOR THE MILITARY. IT WAS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN DISCIPLINE WITHIN THE INSTITUTION.
MILITARY BECAUSE OF HIS CONSTANT CRITICISM OF THE LEADERSHIP AND UNSTABLE CONDITIONS WITHIN THE ARMY.

(b)(1), 1.4 (c)

CONCURRENTLY, HE HAD BEEN A LECTURER AT THE ARMY CGSC AS WELL AS THE AIR FORCE'S IN MARACAY. BECAUSE OF HIS
9. (c) (b)(1), 1.4 (c) IT WAS NECESSARY TO GET TO DEC 92 WITHOUT ANY PROBLEMS SO THAT THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS OF GOVERNORS AND MAYORS COULD TAKE PLACE. ONCE THOSE WERE HELD HE FELT THINGS WOULD REALLY CALM DOWN POLITICALLY SINCE THE NEW OFFICE HOLDERS WOULD DO WHATEVER WAS POLITICALLY NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN CALM WITHIN THEIR CONSTITUENCIES.