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According to Jorge Torrez, chair of the Chamber of Deputies economy and finance committee, the armed forces high command formally requested an additional 5% salary hike beyond the "meager" 7% already included in the 1992 budget. Torrez described the request "fair," but "difficult to meet." Torrez said the average salary hike approved for public sector employees was 12%.

Military discontent escalated when public school teachers won a 17% pay hike following a 20-day strike, while physicians received a 20% increase after a two-day walk-out. Torrez pointed out that government concessions to teachers and doctors already represents spending over US$10 million not included in the budget. (Source: Agence France-Presse, 05/15/92)

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