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On Oct. 14 the Nicaraguan national assembly resumed debate on the country's new political constitution, scheduled to go into effect in early 1987. Debate had been postponed for ten days due to the absence of assembly chairman Carlos Nunez who attended the World Inter-Parliamentary Union congress in Buenos Aires. Deputies continued discussions Tuesday on draft articles in chapter four pertaining to individual rights. To the present a total of 34 articles have been approved, relating to fundamental principles guiding the Nicaraguan government, basic economic and political structures, principles of sovereignty and nationality, and 10 articles contained in the chapter on individual rights. At least 86.6% of the deputies have approved all articles passed thus far.

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