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At a press conference July 7 in Managua following a meeting with Belizean Foreign Minister Dean Oliver Barrow, Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega said the CIA has plans to murder Cardinal Miguel Obando y Bravo. According to Ortega, the contras would perform such assassinations of Obando and other Sandinista opponents, and then blamed on the Nicaraguan government. The president said these CIA plans require a "constant state of readiness," since if such actions are implemented the White House would have an "excuse" to implement large-scale intervention. (Basic data from PRENSA LATINA, 07/08/87)

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