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On Nov. 4, Alfredo Elias Ayub, deputy minister of Mines and Basic Industries (Secretaria de Energia, Minas e Industria Paraestatal, SEMIP), said that because of tight domestic salt supplies, the state-run company Exportadora de Sal will be asked to sell in the domestic market, beginning in September of 1993. According to Elias Ayub, the government would be irresponsible to allow exports to continue at current levels while imports increased steadily. Salt imports totaled 251,000 MT in 1991, compared to 60,000 MT in 1989. Imports in the first half of this year stand at 80,000 MT. (Source: Notimex, 11/04/92)

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