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On Nov. 4, Demetrio Sodi de la Tijera, a member of the Chamber of Deputies, said that the Social Development Secretariat (SEDESOL) and Mexico City government's pollution prevention and control commission will set up a computerized system to monitor pollution levels in the Valley of Mexico. Computers will be located at the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico (UNAM), the Education Secretariat (Secretaria de Educacion Publica, SEP) and several industrial centers. The system will allow authorities to act immediately to restrict industrial and outdoor activities if pollution approaches excessive levels, especially during the winter. SEDESOL and Mexico City's pollution control commission hope to establish strict control on the 300 enterprises that have been identified as most risky for the environment. Authorities are also considering imports of unleaded gasoline that causes even less pollution than the existing "Magna Sin." (Source: Notimex, 11/04/92)

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