

2-8-1989

## Honduras: Explosion Damages Telephone Exchange In San Pedro Sula

Deborah Tyroler

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalrepository.unm.edu/noticen>

---

### Recommended Citation

Tyroler, Deborah. "Honduras: Explosion Damages Telephone Exchange In San Pedro Sula." (1989).  
<https://digitalrepository.unm.edu/noticen/2730>

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Latin America Digital Beat (LADB) at UNM Digital Repository. It has been accepted for inclusion in NotiCen by an authorized administrator of UNM Digital Repository. For more information, please contact [amywinter@unm.edu](mailto:amywinter@unm.edu).

## **Honduras: Explosion Damages Telephone Exchange In San Pedro Sula**

*by Deborah Tyroler*

*Category/Department: General*

*Published: Wednesday, February 8, 1989*

Before dawn on Feb. 7, a bomb exploded in San Pedro Sula, damaging a two-story telephone exchange building, a movie theater on the first floor and a hospital across the street. There were no casualties. Police sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told AP that a man found under suspicious circumstances in the area was arrested for questioning. Isidoro Martinez, the telephone company manager, said in a telephone interview with AP that the explosion at 4:45 a.m. caused more than \$25,000 in damage and cut communications service in a large area in San Pedro Sula. An anonymous telephone call to the city's Radio Norte a few hours later said the "Cinchonero" Popular Liberation Movement, a small leftist guerrilla group, claimed responsibility for the attack. "Cinchonero" is slang for a make of horse saddle-belts and the group takes its name from Serapio Romero, a saddle-belt maker who led an abortive peasant revolution and was executed by firing squad in 1869. On the same day, a leftist group claimed responsibility for a shooting attack last week on a convoy of US soldiers. An anonymous caller, who claimed to be a member of the Morazanist Patriotic Front, told AP: "We will not rest until we have kicked out all the Yankee troops." No one was injured in the Feb. 1 incident in Yoro department. (Basic data from AP, 02/07/89)

-- End --