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After nearly four hours of debate on the evening of March 28, 13 of 14 opposition parties accepted an invitation by the Nicaraguan Resistance directorate to "exchange criteria" on the government's fulfillment of regional peace agreement provisions. A letter proposing a meeting with opposition parties signed by Resistance directorate members Adolfo Calero, Roberto Ferrey and Aristides Sanchez, was received on March 17 by Gustavo Tablada, secretary general of the Nicaraguan Socialist Party. The agenda for discussions between contra and domestic opposition leaders, to take place in Guatemala, is reportedly to discuss the US humanitarian aid package for the contra forces in Honduras as envisioned in an agreement between the White House and the Congress, and to determine common parameters on political reforms the Nicaraguan government is expected to implement. A date for the meeting in Guatemala had not been set as of March 28. (Basic data from Xinhua, 03/29/89)

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