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On April 4, Panama's Channel 5 TV station resumed normal operations under a new name and administration. The station was closed in February last year when it broadcast the last speech of then-President Eric Arturo Delvalle. In the speech, Delvalle asked for the "voluntary resignation" of Panamanian Defense Forces chief Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega. The station was owned by Delvalle. The station is now called "Telecinco," and its top administrator is David Amado, a well-known entrepreneur. Four newspapers and two radio stations shut down last year remain closed. (Basic data from Xinhua, 04/04/89)

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