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On April 19, the armed forces press office announced that the air force had killed Juan Antonio Nascine, a member of the central committee of one of the five groups under the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN), in a surprise attack April 15 in San Ildefonso, 56 miles east of San Salvador. Eight other rebels, including two armed foreign doctors, said the army, were also killed in the attack. Radio Venceremos reported that the air force had bombed a field hospital. The foreigners were identified as Argentine doctor Gustavo Ignacio Isla Caceres, and French nurse Madelaine Languedec. According to the FMLN, an unspecified number of civilians also died in the attack. (Basic data from Xinhua, 04/19/89; New York Times, 04/20/89)

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