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At an April 17 press conference, Vice president-elect Francisco Merino accused seven persons who allegedly belong to the Popular Liberation Front (FPL), of bombing his home on April 14. The FPL is one of five armed groups under the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN). Merino said he would commence judicial proceedings against the seven on April 19. He added that he had obtained their names from a "list which fell into the hands of the Armed Forces last December." Among the seven individuals was Spanish priest Daniel Sanchez. Fr. Sanchez is assigned to the Maria Madre de los Pobres parish, located in the La Chacra neighborhood, Soyapango district, on the outskirts of San Salvador. Sanchez said Merino's accusations against him are false, and that he does not know any of the other six individuals enumerated by the politician. (Basic data from 04/18/89 report by CUANES, Chicago, IL)

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