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On April 26, Foreign Minister Jorge Ritter requested that Attorney General Carlos Villalaz commence a detailed investigation of nationals and foreigners linked to the ongoing "destabilization conspiracy." [See CAU 04/26/89 for details on recent media coverage of US covert action to help the opposition in its campaign for the May 7 elections.] Although the officials did not mention names, the investigation will likely include well-known opposition business and political party leaders. On Monday, President Manuel Solis Palma accused the opposition of instigating attacks against the "juridical security of the national state" by accepting foreign financing for "propaganda and agitation." A week ago, domestic intelligence services announced the existence of a network managed by US citizens who were being paid by the US Army and the Bush administration to engage in espionage and foment civilian rebellion against the government. On April 26, the National Investigation Department (DENI) announced the dismantlement of another network run by five persons, and that its agents were investigating individuals who "facilitated the operation of clandestine transmitters." (Basic data from Notimex, 04/26/89)

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