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On May 3, Panamanian President Manuel Solis Palma said he would be "delighted to break relations with the United States," but that he would not do so because such action would serve as a pretext for the US to launch a military invasion against Panama. In a meeting with government officials in the village of Los Santos in central Panama, Solis said that relations with the US were not a legal question, but one of force. (Basic data from Notimex, 05/03/89)

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