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On June 25 in an interview broadcast by Radio Sandino, army intelligence chief Lt. Col. Ricardo Wheelock said that clashes between the contras and the army thus far this year have caused 1,572 casualties. Wheelock said 440 contras were killed, 355 taken prisoner and 100 wounded. Next, Wheelock said that a total of 129 soldiers were killed, 252 wounded and 24 disappeared, for a total of 405 casualties. Wheelock said that since Jan. 1, 62 civilians were killed and 48 wounded by contras. In addition, contra forces abducted 162 civilians. Next, the intelligence officer pointed out that the Guardianes del Rey joint US-Honduran military maneuvers would begin June 26 in the Gulf of Fonseca. He said, "These exercises increase tension...in the Central American region." (Basic data from Notimex, 06/25/89)

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