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In its Aug. 8 issue, the New York Times reported that "persons familiar with the negotiations" said on Aug. 7 that former President Jimmy Carter has accepted an invitation to monitor the Nicaraguan electoral process beginning immediately. They said the agreement would be announced Aug. 8 in Atlanta, Ga., and Managua. On Aug. 8 in Atlanta, Carter announced that he had accepted Nicaragua's invitation to observe the elections. A letter addressed to Carter by President Daniel Ortega said that he would unrestricted access to all aspects of the electoral process. Ortega added that Carter was invited to travel to Nicaragua as many times as possible to meet with members of the Supreme Electoral Council, political parties and the government. Carter said he would organize a delegation of approximately 20 persons of different nationalities. (Basic data from New York Times, Notimex, 08/08/89)

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