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On Aug. 20, a group of rebels who were wounded in the civil war occupied San Salvador's cathedral during the Sunday mass, and demanded that the government permit them to obtain medical treatment abroad. The rebels spoke on behalf of 100 of their comrades. Church officials have failed in several recent attempts to persuade the government of President Alfredo Cristiani to provide wounded rebels guarantees of safe passage for treatment abroad. (Basic data from DPA, 08/20/89)

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