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At a Sept. 19 press conference in San Salvador, Col. Ciro Lopez Roque, commander of the 4th Infantry Brigade, told reporters that while the rebels are engaged in a ceasefire, the armed forces are "operating normally." He confirmed that in the past few days his units have entered guerrilla-occupied territory in Chalatenango department. The colonel said Chalatenango was considered as the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front's "strategic rearguard." The FMLN declared a unilateral ceasefire beginning Sept. 13 as a good will gesture to support the preliminary peace talks held in Mexico City last week. According to rebel radio broadcasts, offensives by government troops were immediately escalated after the ceasefire was announced Sept. 10 in conflict zones and in the country's major cities. (Basic data from Notimex, 09/19/89)

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