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On Nov. 19, about 3,000 people attended a rally organized by the National Opposition Union (UNO), in Nandaime, located about 40 miles southeast of Managua. The crowd included about two dozen foreign observers. A United Nations observer group had nine observers, the Organization of American States sent seven and there were diplomats from the Swedish, British, US and French embassies along with representatives of foreign non-partisan organizations. UNO presidential candidate Violeta Barrios de Chamorro told the crowd to "have faith." She said, "The en-tire world is paying attention to all that is happening in Nicaragua." An opposition gathering in Nandaime in July 1988 turned violent, leading to the expulsion of the US ambassador and seven other diplomats by the Nicaraguan government. The US responded in kind. (Basic data from AP, 11/19/89)

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