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On Nov. 29, French newspaper Le Monde reported that the Soviet Union has told both Nicaragua and Cuba to stop supplying arms to the FMLN. The newspaper said the Soviet ambassador to Nicaragua gave instructions at a secret meeting Nov. 28 in Managua. It said the meeting was apparently called by the Soviets and included high-ranking Cuban and Nicaraguan officials. Le Monde said the Soviets were embarrassed by the crash last weekend over El Salvador of a plane loaded with arms that apparently originated in Cuba. (Basic data from AP, 11/29/89)

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