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## **Panama: U.S. To Provide \$25.1 Million In Emergency Aid**

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On March 7, the US granted \$52 million in emergency economic aid to Panama to provide housing, jobs and technical assistance. A portion of the aid is to be used to repair damages caused by the invasion in December. US Ambassador to Panama, Deane Hinton, mentioned that Washington could not provide all the aid necessary for Panama's economic recovery. Wednesday was the seventh day of President Guillermo Endara's hunger strike initiated to persuade the US to provide the funds. (Basic data from AFP, 03/07/90; Xinhua, 03/08/90)

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