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In an interview published April 15 by daily newspaper La Prensa (Panama City), US Southern Command chief Gen. Maxwell Thurman said he believed US military troop presence in Panama at the moment was justified, but that he hoped to withdraw the US forces as soon as possible. Washington's greatest concern, he said, is providing adequate training to members of the recently established public police force. (Basic data from Notimex, 04/15/90)

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