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May 16: Rebels attacked three policemen in a car near Santa Lucia Cotzumalguapa, Esquintla department. May 24: Eight soldiers were killed and four wounded when rebels attacked an army truck as it passed through the village of Waxacna, Huehuetenango department. The rebels seized several rifles, burned the truck and then retreated into the hills without suffering casualties. May 28: A rebel column comprised of about 100 fighters set fire to a camp maintained by the highway control division in Solola department. June 2: According to a bulletin distributed in Costa Rica by CERIGUA, on May 30 rebels ambushed a military patrol boat on the La Pasion river, La Libertad municipality, El Peten department. The Guatemalan National Revolutionary Unity (URNG) reported 21 troop casualties, and seizure of an M-60 machine gun, uniforms, and other material. On the same day, during a rebel transport blockade on roadways in La Libertad and Sayaxche departments, guerrillas clashed with army troops. The URNG reported four troop casualties. (Basic data from AFP, 05/29/90; CERIGUA, 06/02/90; New York Times, 06/03/90)

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