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In statements appearing in the Aug. 5 issue of *Barricada*, the official newspaper of the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN), Salvadoran rebel commander Nidia Diaz accused President Alfredo Cristiani's government of using UN mediation to "avoid real negotiations" on military questions. Diaz criticized the government for manipulating the talks by insisting "on a cease-fire before the slightest advances have been made on the first and central issue on the negotiating table," or demilitarization. According to Diaz, "They seek immediate pacification, understood as the unconditional disarmament of the FMLN, and we will not concede to those terms...The groundwork for a just and lasting peace must first be laid. We're not worried about prolonging the negotiations. Dialogue is the only way we can truly create a new political system in El Salvador." Diaz expressed skepticism over the agreement concerning UN monitoring of human rights violations in El Salvador signed July 25 by the government and the FMLN. The agreement is incomplete in that the government must first demonstrate "political will" to comply with its terms. (Basic data from ACAN-EFE, 08/05/90)

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