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Nov. 2: Rebels damaged an electricity sub-station pertaining to the Rio Lempa Hydroelectric Executive Commission (CEL) in Ayutuxtepque, and three high-voltage pylons in Usulután department. The Farabundo Martí National Liberation Front (FMLN) claimed responsibility for setting fire to a textile factory in La Libertad department, resulting in losses estimated at \$1 million.

Nov. 3: The armed forces press office (COPREFA) reported that the FMLN attacked the police academy in southeastern San Salvador. In the mortar barrage and subsequent fighting, five rebels were killed, and one soldier injured. The 1st Infantry Brigade led counterinsurgency maneuvers including aerial bombing in the foothills located 35 km. from the capital. According to COPREFA, one rebel died and one soldier was injured in fighting in Morazan department. Two soldiers were injured in clashes in Ciudad Barrios, located in eastern El Salvador. Nov. 5: A spokesperson for the FMLN's Modesto Ramirez urban commando unit telephoned a local radio station to report that the rebels launched simultaneous attacks against four military posts in the capital, causing 11 casualties. The army acknowledged two of the attacks and said that one soldier died and two others were wounded. According to military spokespersons, two guerrillas were wounded in a clash with soldiers pertaining to the 4th detachment in Morazan. The FMLN reported three troop casualties during fighting in Chalatenango department. (Basic data from AFP, 11/02/90, 11/03/90; Notimex, 11/02/90, 11/03/90, 11/06/90)

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