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According to a report by UN special representative Jose Antonio Pastor Ridruejo released Nov. 12, the human rights situation in El Salvador continues to be problematic. Pastor said the number of reported summary executions by members of the armed forces and civil defense thus far in 1990 totaled about 140, down from 1989. The Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) were accused of rights abuses, especially urban operations in which civilians were killed or wounded. Both the rebels and government troops were accused of abductions. Pastor said torture of political prisoners had been reported, although he believed it was not widespread, nor part of government policy. (Basic data from AFP, 11/12/90)

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