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On Nov. 14, the Honduran government requested emergency assistance from the United Nations and the Organization of American States to meet the needs of 30,000 citizens who lost homes and livelihoods as a result of flooding in Cortes and Yoro departments (northern Honduras), and in the remote Atlantic region of Mosquitia. The heavy rains began two weeks ago. A preliminary estimate indicated \$70 million in material damages. In the Valle del Aguan, 4,000 ha. of African palm were destroyed, and about 3,000 head of cattle. Other crops sustaining heavy damage were sugarcane and bananas. (Basic data from AFP, 11/14/90, 11/15/90)

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