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The Supreme Electoral Tribunal announced Nov. 14 that six political parties will lose their official registration status, since respective presidential candidates failed to capture four percent or more of the total votes cast in the Nov. 11 general elections. They are the Revolutionary Party (PR), the country's oldest; Democratic National Cooperation Party (PDCN), National Renovation Party (PNR), Democratic Party (PD), the Emergent Concordia Movement (MEC), and the United Front of the Revolution (FUR). Another four parties, who also failed to obtain 4% in the presidential vote, won one or two seats in the national congress, and thus will not lose official recognition: the National Liberation Movement (MLN), the National Advance Front (FAN), Democratic Socialist Party (PSD), and the Popular Alliance-5 (AP5). (Basic data from Notimex, 11/14/90)

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