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On Dec. 9, Panamanian Foreign Minister Julio Linares announced that the Guatemalan Embassy in Panama City had granted provisional asylum to three Public Police Force officers who participated in the Dec. 5 police uprising. The officers are former anti-riot squad chief Rafael Jurado, and second lieutenants Carlos Alberto Rumbo Perez and Dario Cabezas del Cid. Guatemalan Foreign Minister Ariel Rivera requested on Dec. 10 that President Guillermo Endara provide safe conduct for the three officers. He said that he had instructed the Guatemalan Ambassador to Panama, Col. Hector Rosales, to finalize asylum procedures for the officers and that they were welcome to enter Guatemala or any other nation. (Basic data from Notimex, 12/09/90; AFP, 12/08/90; ACAN-EFE, 12/09/90, 12/10/90)

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