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Matagalpa Mayor Frank Lanzas told Spanish news service EFE that on Dec. 16 unidentified persons tossed a grenade several meters from his home. He said no one was injured, and the house was not damaged. Lanzas, a National Opposition Union (UNO) member, said that he had received a telephoned death threat on Dec. 8. In Juigalpa, a bomb destroyed the car of UNO legislator Humberto Castilla and part of his home. No one was hurt in the blast. On Dec. 16 and 17, grenades were tossed at the homes of several other UNO mayors and legislators who supported national budget reductions. No injuries were reported. Vice President Virgilio Godoy attributed the attacks to the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN). (Basic data from Notimex, EFE, AP, 12/17/90)

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