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On April 25 in Guatemala City, at least 33 students, including 10 minors, were arrested by police during a street demonstration. Over 1,000 students marched through the streets of the capital demanding the immediate resignation of Education Minister Maria Luisa Beltranena. Students representing at least six secondary schools also demanded the right to participate in teacher selection, and repairs to school facilities. Rodolfo Valverde, spokesperson for the National Police, said 33 students were detained as a result of "provoking disorder in public streets, and destruction of private property." (Basic data from ACAN-EFE, 04/25/91)

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