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On Oct. 18, in response to recent statements by World Bank president Lewis Preston that developing countries must reduce military spending, President Rafael Callejas and armed forces chief Gen. Luis Alonso Discua asserted that Honduras would not bend to pressures from the World Bank. Callejas said military spending was "acceptable," equivalent to only 2% of GDP. According to Discua, "We Hondurans must sort out such issues for ourselves without foreign interference." (Basic data from ACAN-EFE, 10/18/91)

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