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Costa Rican Ambassador To Nicaragua Resigns

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On Nov. 4, Costa Rican President Rafael Calderon told reporters that Ambassador to Nicaragua, Carlos Aguilar, had resigned effective Nov. 1. Calderon said Aguilar would be replaced by Eduardo Mora, currently serving as charge d'affairs at the embassy in Managua. Aguilar is a cousin of President Calderon. According to Costa Rican Foreign Minister Bernd Niehaus, Aguilar resigned in order to avoid embarrassment to the Calderon government over a fraud suit filed against him in Costa Rica. Niehaus admitted, however, that the government had been concerned over reports that both Washington and Managua were uncomfortable with Aguilar's personal friendship with Sandinista Peoples Army (EPS) chief Gen. Humberto Ortega. (Basic data from Agence France-Presse, ACAN-EFE, 11/04/91)

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