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On Dec. 4, Central Bank president Ricardo Maduro denied rumors that the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other multilateral lending institutions plan to impose their preference for the ruling National Party's presidential candidate in the 1993 election. According to Liberal Party leaders, Maduro is the preferred candidate of the IMF and other institutions because he reportedly would be capable of follow-through on the current government's economic adjustment programs. Although the next general elections will not take place until November 1993, Honduran political parties are already bustling with pre-campaign activities. Nine National Party members, six Liberal Party members, and several individuals from minority parties have declared their intention to seek the presidential nomination of respective parties. (Basic data from ACAN-EFE, 12/04/91)

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