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On Dec. 4, spokespersons for an organization of family members of political prisoners and the disappeared (Comite de Familiares Pro-libertad de Presos y Desaparecidos Politicos- CODEFAM), reported that 62 political prisoners in seven jails throughout the country had initiated a hunger strike on Dec. 2. According to CODEFAM, the protest is aimed at pressuring officials to release the inmates on grounds that incarceration of political prisoners is prohibited under Salvadoran law. (Basic data from Agence France-Presse, 12/04/91)

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