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On Feb. 22, Interior Minister Carlos Hurtado and deputy finance minister Leonel Rodriguez said the government plans to spend US\$15 million on programs for reincorporating demobilized recontras and recompas into civilian life. Rodriguez said the process of disarming 10,614 recontras and recompas cost the government US\$2 million. The government paid 1,000 cordobas (US\$200) for every rifle turned over to authorities. Rodriguez admitted that many civilians decided to turn in weapons alongwith the combatants. Government officials signed agreements with 17 "irregular" groups. (Basic data from Notimex, 02/15/92)

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