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On Oct. 9, President Rafael Callejas announced that the Palmerola air base, headquarters for about 1,200 US troops stationed in Honduras, will be opened for use by civilian aircraft carrying manufactured and agricultural export goods. To date, the base has been dedicated exclusively for use by the US and Honduran militaries. Comayagua, the nearest city to the Palmerola base, has no civilian airport. Callejas added that a new industrial park will be constructed in the nearby Comayagua valley. The park is expected to generate US\$75 million in investments and 15,000 jobs over the next five years. (Source: Agence France- Presse, 10/09/92)

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