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SUBJECT: SPANISH CLASH WITH INSURGENTS IN SPANISH SAHARA
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THE SPANISH EMBASSY IN RABAT HAS CONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS
 THAT SPANISH POLICE AND MILITARY FORCES ENGAGED IN A SMALL
 BUT BLOODY CLASH WITH INSURGENTS RECENTLY IN NORTHERN SPANISH
 SAHARA NEAR THE MAURITANIAN BORDER.

ACCORDING TO THE SPANISH, SIX INSURGENTS WERE KILLED AND
 THREE WERE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED AND CAPTURED. SPANISH LOSSES
 WERE ^{FIVE} KILLED AND ^{TEN} WOUNDED. THE CLASH ALLEGEDLY TOOK PLACE
 WHEN A GROUP OF POLICE IN JEEPS WAS AMBUSHED NEAR THE TOWN
 OF TIFARTI BY MEMBERS OF THE SAHARA LIBERATION FRONT--A SMALL
 INSURGENT GROUP WHICH RECEIVES SOME FINANCIAL AID FROM ALGERIA

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AND LIBYA.

SPORADIC, SMALL-SCALE FIGHTING HAS OCCURRED IN SPANISH

SAHARA FOR SOME TIME.



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