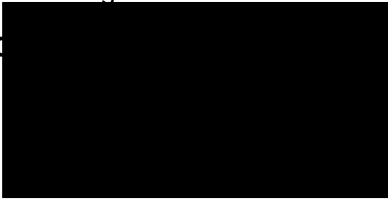


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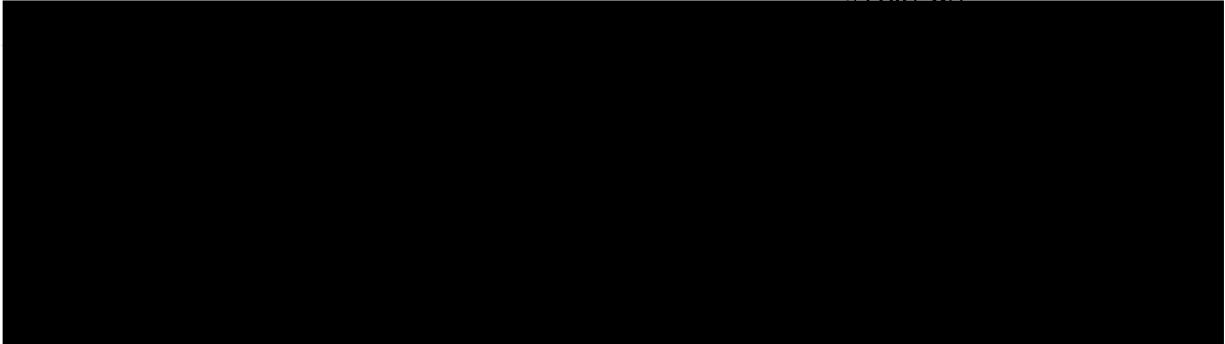
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1. The current bitterly-contested Congressional elections in Guatemala may provide the necessary incident to justify a military coup d'etat by Col. Francisco Arana, Chief of the Armed Forces, against the Arevalo government.
2. The possibility of such a coup is now the number one topic of conversation among oppositionists, but it is believed that Arana may be satisfied to wait for some disturbance to occur, rather than instigate the action himself.

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