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SERIAL: PA1611162789

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COUNTRY: SPAIN

SUBJ: COMMUNIQUE ISSUED ON KILLINGS IN EL SALVADOR

REF: 1. PA1611143089 (CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEREMOS SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR 161354 -- VENCEREMOS REPORTS RECTOR'S ASSASSINATION

2. PA1611140389 MADRID EFE SPANISH 161339 -- UNIVERSITY RECTOR, 6 CLERGYMEN MURDERED

SOURCE: MADRID EFE IN SPANISH 1536 GMT 16 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) MADRID, 16 NOV (EFE) -- THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY, TODAY EXPRESSED "CONSTERNATION" OVER THE "HORRENDOUS MURDER" OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN IN SAN SALVADOR TODAY.

IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE "THE DIPLOMATIC PRESS OFFICE EXPRESSES THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT'S CONSTERNATION OVER THESE HORRENDOUS MURDERS, WHICH CASTS SHAME ON THOSE WHO INSTIGATED, ENCOURAGED, AND COMMITTED THEM."

THE COMMUNIQUE CONTINUES: "THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY, HAS ASKED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF EL SALVADOR TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INTO THE INCIDENT."

THE COMMUNIQUE ADDS: "THIS ESCALATION OF VIOLENCE DEMONSTRATES ONCE AGAIN THE NEED FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE AND THE PROMPT INITIATION OF SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS TO END SO MUCH SUFFERING IN THAT FRATERNAL COUNTRY."

THE OFFICIAL SPANISH GOVERNMENT COMMUNIQUE WAS REFERRING TO THE MASSACRE PERPETRATED EARLY THIS MORNING AT THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN EL SALVADOR. ACCORDING TO THE SALVADORAN CURIA, 30 MEN IN UNIFORM MURDERED SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN WHO WERE ASLEEP IN A RESIDENCE NEXT TO THE UNIVERSITY GROUNDS.

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