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(TEXT) THE CONTENTS OF THE AGREEMENT SIGNED IN PANAMA BY DELEGATES OF THE GOVERNMENT AND OF THE TERRORISTS COULD HELP SOLVE THE SITUATION OF VIOLENCE.

ONE OF THE POINTS IN THE AGREEMENT SAYS THE SUBVERSIVES HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES NOT TO HARM THE RELATIVES OF OFFICIALS, MILITARYMEN, OR POLITICIANS INVOLVED IN THE CONFLICT.

FOLLOWING BASIC PRINCIPLES OF UNIVERSAL LEGAL NORMS, THE RELATIVES OF PERSONS INVOLVED IN EVENTS, SITUATIONS, AND CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD NOT BE ATTACKED, KIDNAPPED, CAPTURED, WOUNDED, OR THEIR DIGNITY OFFENDED. THE FMLN-FDR

(REVOLUTIONARY DEMOCRATIC FRONT) SUBVERSIVES, THROUGH THE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THEIR DELEGATES, WILL NO LONGER KIDNAP OR ATTACK RELATIVES OF MILITARYMEN OR PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

IN THIS REGARD, MSGR ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS MADE COMMENTS ON THE CASE TO THE COMMUNICATION MEDIA, INDICATING THAT THE AGREEMENT SIGNED IN PANAMA WILL BRING MANY BENEFITS WITHIN THE PACIFICATION PROCESS.

WE CONSULTED GOVERNMENT SOURCES CONCERNING THE GENERAL CONTENTS OF THE AGREEMENT SIGNED IN PANAMA AND SPECIFICALLY THE POINT CONCERNING THE COMMITMENT TO RESPECT DEFENSELESS PERSONS, AND THEY TOLD US THAT "THEY WILL BELIEVE IT WHEN THEY SEE IT."

THEY ALSO COMMENTED THAT THE FMLN-FDR TERRORISTS DO NOT RESPECT AGREEMENTS OR ANYTHING, NOR DO THEY MAINTAIN ANY ETHICS CONCERNING THE COUNTRY'S SITUATION.

CONCERNING THE KIDNAPPING OF MRS INES GUADALUPE DUARTE DURAN AND MISS ANA CECILIA VILLEDA SOSA, THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMEN SAID THAT IT WAS NOT UNTIL YESTERDAY THAT THE FMLN CLAIMED FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE KIDNAPPING.

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