



2. SANTIVANEZ SERVED AS SALVADORAN CONSUL IN NEW ORLEANS FROM NOVEMBER 1983 UNTIL OCTOBER 1984, WHEN HE WAS FIRED AS COUNSEL BY THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR. IT WAS BELIEVED THAT HE WAS THE SOURCE OF TWO NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLES, BOTH PUBLISHED IN MARCH 1984, IN WHICH ALLEGATIONS WHERE MADE THAT LEADING SALVADORAN MILITARY OFFICERS AND CIVILIANS WERE INVOLVED IN DEATH SQUAD ACTIVITES, AND THAT A TOP SALVADORAN POLICE OFFICIAL WAS ARROWN INFORMANT. HE AESO CONDUCTED A PRESS INTERVIEW IN MARCH 1985 WHERE HE STATED THAT FORMER FON OFFICIAL COLONEL RICARDO "CHINO" ((LAU)), RECEIVED \$120,000.00 FOR ARRANGING THE DEATH SQUAD EXECUTION OF ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ARNULEO ((ROMERO)) IN 1980 AND WAS WORKING DIRECTLY FOR THEN ARENA PRESIDENT AND KNOWN RIGHT WINGER ROBERTO ((D'AUBUISSON)). SANTIVANEZ ADDED THAT COL. LAU WAS SENT TO

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WORK IN GUATEMALA, TRAINING DEATH SQUAD KILLERS AND ADVISED D'AUBUISSON DIRECTLY ON HOW TO CARRY OUT DEATH SQUAD ACTIVITIES. HIS ALLEGATIONS HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SEVERAL QUERIES TO THE LAST BEING MARCH 1985, FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HPSCI.

