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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] DEATH OF ARGENTINE DOCTOR
IN EL SALVADOR

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2. AS FOLLOW UP [REDACTED] GUSTAVO ((ISLAS)) CACERES, ARGENTINE NATIONAL AND MEDICAL DOCTOR, WAS KILLED IN AN ATTACK ON 9 APRIL 1989 BY SALVADORAN AIR FORCE ELEMENTS ON A SUSPECTED CENTRAL COMMAND POST OF THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF CENTRAL AMERICAN WORKERS (PRTC) IN NORTHERN SAN VICENTE DEPARTMENT. THE PRTC IS ONE OF THE FIVE FACTIONS MAKING UP THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN), AN ARMED MARXIST LENINIST INSURGENCY WHICH HAS BEEN FIGHTING THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR FOR OVER 10 YEARS. ALTHOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN ALLEGATIONS BY THE FMLN AND ITS FRONT GROUPS THAT THE SITE OF THE ATTACK WAS A FIELD HOSPITAL, ROLLS OF FILM TAKEN AT THE SITE AND DEVELOPED INDICATE THAT IT WAS A GUERRILLA BASE CAMP AND CENTRAL COMMAND POST. THE FILM SHOWS THAT ISLAS AND THE FRENCH NURSE WERE ARMED AND IN UNIFORM AT THE TIME THEY DIED.

3. ISLAS WAS IDENTIFIED BY SOME LETTERS HE HAD IN HIS POSSESSION.
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