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ITEM

1. HAITI: EFFORTS TO RESOLVE CRISIS [REDACTED]

OPINION AMONG HAITIAN LEGISLATORS IS DIVIDED OVER WHETHER TO
PRESS FOR PRESIDENT ARISTIDE'S RETURN, BUT ALL SEEM TO WANT INTERIM
LEADER CEDRAS TO STAY ON AS ARMY CHIEF. MEANWHILE, CEDRAS PUBLICLY
WARNED FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND THE OAS NOT TO INTERVENE AND RULED
OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT ARISTIDE COULD RETURN TO POWER, ARISTIDE
[REDACTED] CONSIDERS CEDRAS THE
"MASTERMIND" BEHIND THE COUP. THERE REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN LITTLE
BLOODSHED IN THE LAST DAY, AND MOST SOLDIERS HAVE RETURNED TO THE
UNITS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MOST POLITICIANS PROBABLY ARE OPPOSED TO THE COUP, BUT

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MEMBERS OF THE HAITIAN LEGISLATURE PROBABLY WANT TO GUARANTEE THEIR INSTITUTIONAL SURVIVAL AND RESOLVE THE CRISIS BEFORE INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTTS ENGENDER TURMOIL AND HARDSHIP. THE POLARIZATION BETWEEN ARISTIDE AND CEDRAS, HOWEVER, REDUCES THE ROOM FOR A COMPROMISE. MOREOVER, THE HAITIAN MILITARY APPEAR UNITED IN THE FEAR THAT ARISTIDE'S RETURN WOULD THREATEN THE LIVES OF MANY OFFICERS AS WELL AS ENLISTED MEN AND POSSIBLY DESTROY THE MILITARY AS AN INSTITUTION.

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