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NEITHER ALPIREZ NOR GARCIA CATALAN ARE IN TROUBLE FOR THE DEVINE MURDER, SINCE THE STATE ALREADY HAS A CONVICTED KILLER IN CAPTAIN HUGO (( CONTRERAS)) ALVARADO. THEREFORE, ALPIREZ AND GARCIA CATALAN COULD BE JUDGED BY A MILITARY COURT FOR THE COVER UP, AND COULD BE CONDEMNED TO SERVE ABOUT THREE YEARS IN JAIL. BECAUSE SENTENCES OF LESS THAN FIVE YEARS ARE NORMALLY SUSPENDED, OR REDUCED TO NO MORE THAN SIX MONTHS, THE ARMY MAY BE ABLE TO PERSUADE THESE TWO OFFICERS TO SACRIFICE THEMSELVES FOR THE GOOD OF THE INSTITUTION. HOWEVER, [REDACTED] SAID, THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE EXPELLED FROM THE ARMY AS IT WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO HAVE THEM REINSTATED AFTER LEAVING PRISON. [REDACTED] THIS MAY PRESENT A PROBLEM WITH ALPIREZ AND GARCIA CATALAN, WHO MAY NOT BE WILLING TO SEE THEIR MILITARY CAREERS SHORTENED.

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THE ALPIREZ TAPE:

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THE RECORDING HAD BEEN MADE BY COLONEL ALPIREZ OF A CONVERSATION HE HAD HAD WITH COLONEL GARCIA CATALAN ON THE COVER UP OF THE DEVINE CASE. [REDACTED]

ALL THE RUMORS HAD IT THAT THE TAPE WAS OF A CONVERSATION BETWEEN ALPIREZ AND THE MILITARY LEGAL COUNSELOR, GUSTAVO ADOLFO (( MONROY)) ESPANA [REDACTED]

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