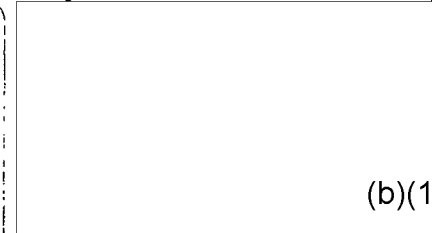




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Military Situation

The guerrillas may start their fall offensive in the north soon while government forces are focusing on operations elsewhere to disrupt insurgent logistic and resupply networks. [Redacted]

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A 1,500-man insurgent force plans to begin the offensive by attacking Chalatenango City and the 4th Brigade headquarters at El Paraiso.

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The Army on Monday began a major operation in central Usulután Department, [Redacted]

Forces led by elite Belloso Battalion plan to stay in the area for about a month will gradually move in a sweep operation toward the Lempa River.

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Comment: Earlier reporting indicated growing guerrilla strength in Chalatenango. If the insurgents can strike there quickly, they may be able to achieve some successes before the aggressive new head of the 4th Brigade, Lieutenant Colonel Ochoa, becomes familiar with his new command and decides how best to use the forces at his disposal.

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