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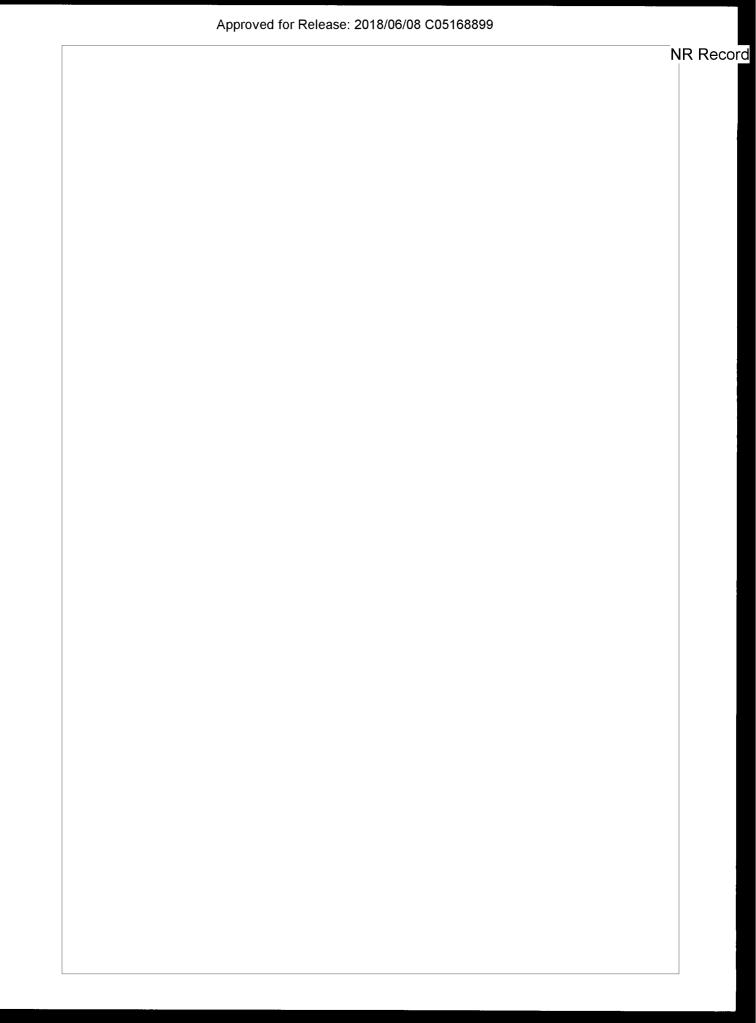
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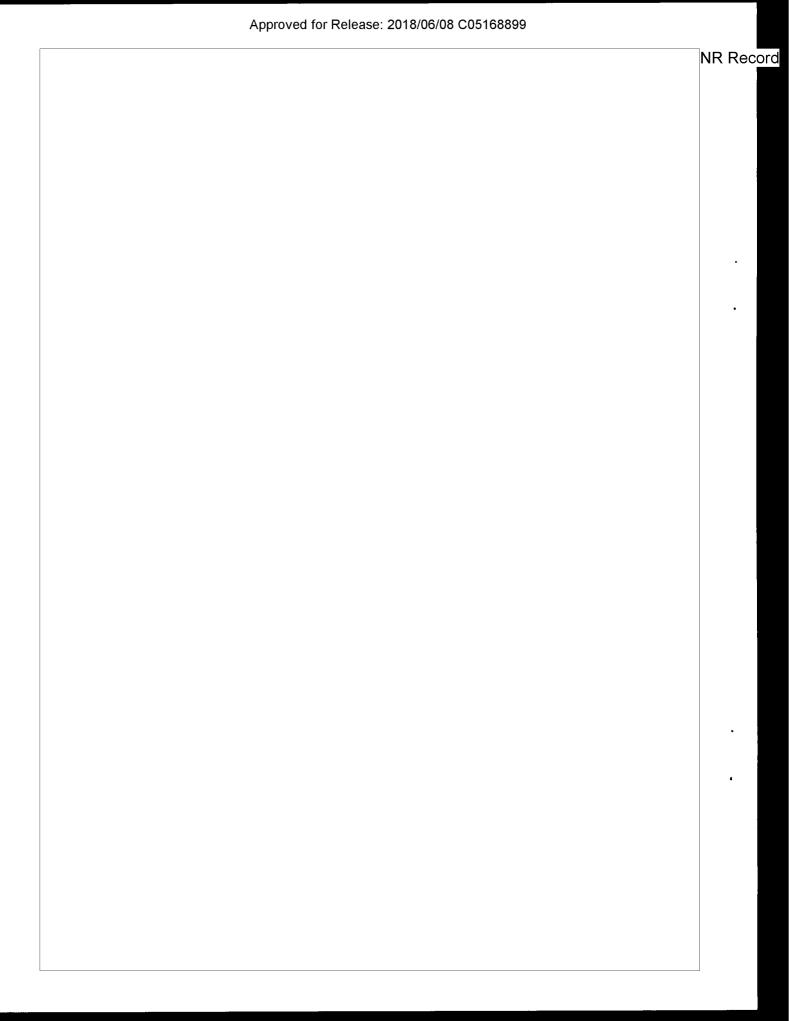
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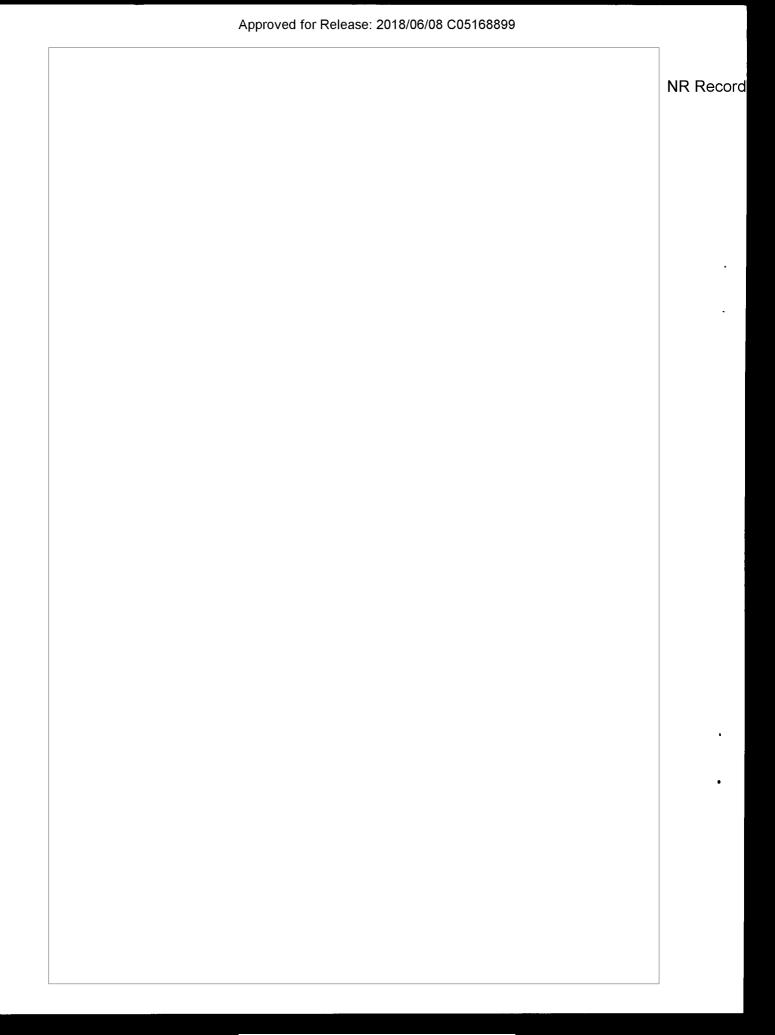
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EL SALVADOR: Fighting in the North	
The government offensive continues in northern Morazan Deparment, while the insurgents try to exploit political divisions in San Salvador.	(b)(3)
//The Army has crossed the Torola River and retake a few small towns in northern Morazan.	(b)(1) (b)(3)
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Insurgent propaganda is claiming most of the north east is "liberated territory." The guerrillas are calling on government troops to turn their weapons against a "corrupt and divided" officer corps. The insurgents also have increased harassment attacks on towns, militations.	. -
outposts, and economic targets.	(b)(1 (b)(3
Comment: The Army hopes to retake other towns in northern Morazan and deny the insurgents any military a political momentum that might result from their current offensive. The operation is likely to meet heavy resistance, however, and its results may be limited. Despite their harassing attacks, the insurgents are still not it a position to exploit fully the political situation to	: :t- :
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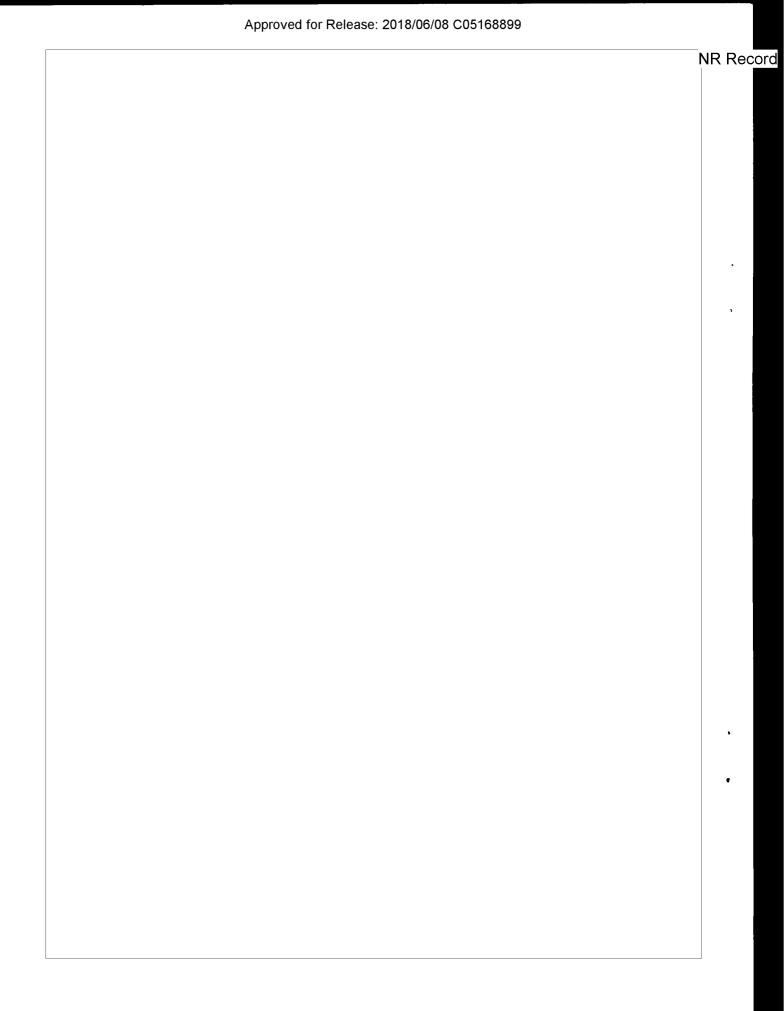


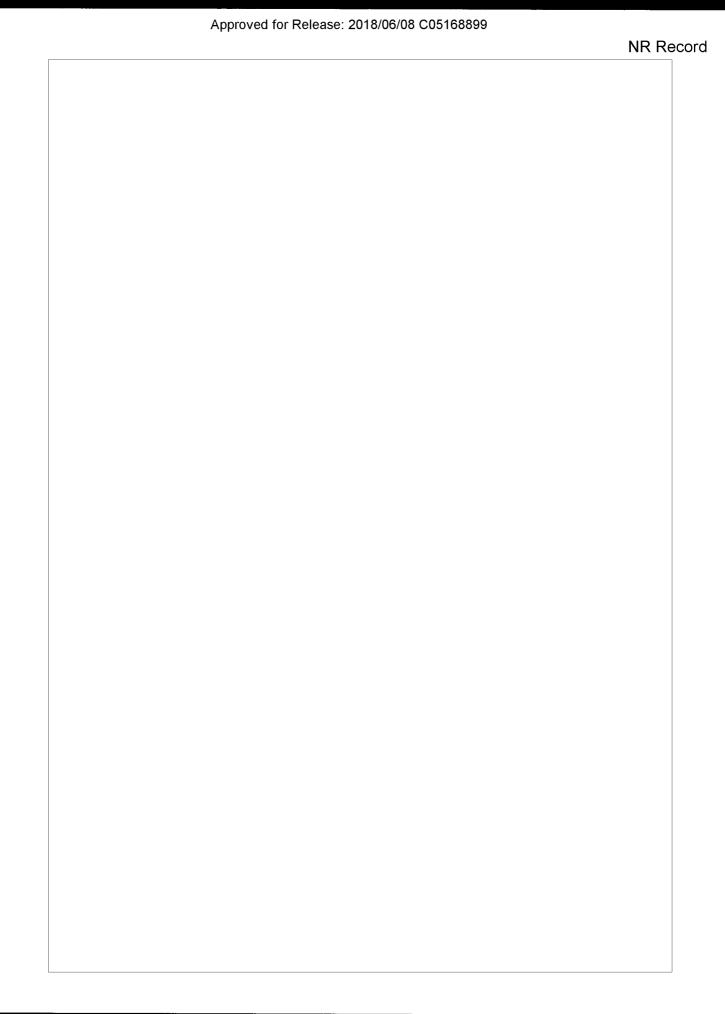
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