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1. LOCAL MEXICO NEWSPAPER CARRIED ARTICLE ²⁵ OCTOBER ON
 CAPTURE OF YACHT "EL AMIGO" BY AUTHORITIES FORM BELIZE BRITISH

HONDUREAS. ARTICLE INDICATES YACHT HIJACKED BY AMERICANS 18 OCT.
 TWO MEXICANS FORCED GO ALONG WERE ALONSO CAMPOS MASTER OF YACHT
 AND DECK HAND RAMON MAGANA. AUTHORITIES IDENTIFIED FIVE OF THOSE
 ABOARD AS CHARLES O'CONNOR, HERBERT I9 PENDER, FRANK BONELLI,
ROBERT CURTIS AND MAX GORDAN. NAMES OF REMAINING THREE ABOARD
 BEING

WITHHELD BY BELIZE POLICE.

2. SEARCH OF YACHT REVEALED CARGO OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS,
 AMMUNITION, GRENADES, PISTOLS, MAPS OF BELIZE TERRITORY WITH
 MARKED AREAS ON BORDER OF BRITISH HONDUREAS-Guatemalan BORDER.
 PROPAGANDA FOUND ABOARD CALLED ON PEOPLE OF BELIZE TO REBEL AGAINST
 PRIME MINISTER GEORGE PRICE AND DECLARE SELVES IN FAVOR OF ANNEXING
 BRITISH HONDURAS TO GUATEMALA. AFTER QUESTIONING GROUP CLAIMED BELONG
 TO GUATEMALAN MOVEMENT "TO SAVE" BELIZE. YACHT MASTER SAID
 WAS FORCED LOAD ARMS AND PROPAGANDA IN MEXICAN PORT OF PROGRESSO.
 NEAR MERIDA. ALONSO MARTIN VAZQUEZ YACHT OWNER LEFT FOR BELIZE

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TO FILE HIJACK CHARGE AGAINST ABOVE GROUPS.

3. OTHER ARTICLE DATED MERIDA STATED ABOVE FIVE MEN AND EIGHT OTHERS WHO EVADED CAPTURE WERE ACCUSED OF PARTICIPATING RECENT MEXICO CITY STUDENT RIOTS. MEXICAN AUTHORITIES IN MERIDEA CLAIMED CLOSING IN ON MISSING MEMBERS OF GROUP AND EXPECTED APPREHEND THEM MOMENTARILY.

4. STATION EXPECTING ADDITIONAL INFO ON YACHT INCIDENT FROM LIAMATOR-1 THRU LIRENO-1.

5. INDEX O'CONNEL, PENDER, BONELLI, CURTIS, GORMAN.

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