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2. ~~(S//NOFORN)~~ THE CONTINUING OPERATION HAS CHANGED IN NATURE SINCE THE US-TRAINED IMMEDIATE-REACTION BATTALIONS WERE FIRST DEPLOYED. STILL NOT RESTED AFTER A MAJOR OPERATION IN CHALETENANGO, THEY WERE DEPLOYED UNDER ARDUOUS CONDITIONS TO AN AREA UNDER INSURGENT DOMINATION IN WHICH OTHER UNITS HAD TAKEN A BEATING. SINCE THAT POINT, PROGRESS HAS BEEN STEADY, MOVING FROM CONFRONTATION BY THE GUERRILLAS TO THE CURRENT SITUATION IN WHICH THE INSURGENTS ARE TRYING HARD TO AVOID CONTACT. IT ALSO DEMONSTRATES BOTH SALVADORAN DESIRE TO DEAL THE GUERRILLAS A TRULY EFFECTIVE BLOW AND GROWING HONDURAN CONCERN OVER INSURGENT ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA. THE INCREASED CONCERN OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS COULD LEAD TO OCCUPATION OF THE "BOLSON" BY ONE OR BOTH OF THE TWO COUNTRIES* GROUND FORCES AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPERATION.

3. ~~(S//NOFORN)~~ MEANWHILE, ACTIVITY HAS PICKED UP THROUGHOUT THE REST OF THE COUNTRY AS THE INSURGENTS HAVE ATTEMPTED TO DRAW PRESSURE FROM MORAZAN. INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN SCATTERED AND SPORADIC AND ARE GENERALLY WITHOUT STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE.

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