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C O N F I D E N T I A L MEXICO 7199

SITREP 1800 SEPTEMBER 25

1. PAST 24 HOURS MARKED BY DISPERSED INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE AS
STUDENTS SEEM TO HAVE BROKEN UP INTO SMALL BANDS. BUSES BURNED,
GUNSHOTS FIRED AND AT LEAST ONE STUDENT REPORTED KILLED. ARMY
SENT TO ANTHROPOLOGY MUSEUM WHEN GOVERNMENT RECEIVED REPORTS THAT
STUDENTS INTENDED TO GATHER THERE BUT NOTHING EVIDENTLY TOOK PLACE.
UNQUESTIONED HOODLUM ELEMENT PRESENT IN DISTURBANCES SO FAR BUT
IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTIMATE EXTENT OF THEIR PARTICIPATION. GOVERNMENT
HAS DETAILED FIVE OF WHAT IT CONSIDERS TOP TEN OF CNH LEADERSHIP;
BALANCE STILL IN HIDING. REPORTS RECEIVED OF SUPPORT FOR CAPITAL
STUDENTS BY MEANS OF SYMPATHY STRIKES, ETC. COMING FROM VARIOUS
STATES, INCLUDING GUERRERO AND NUEVO LEON, NONE INVOLVING VIOLENCE.

2. ALL IPN BUILDINGS OCCUPIED BY ARMY BEING TURNED OVER TO ADMINIS-
TRATIVE OFFICIALS OF SECRETARY OF EDUCATION. UNAM FACILITIES
REMAIN ONLY ONES STILL OCCUPIED BY ARMY. 43RD INFANTRY BATTALION
FROM TOLUCA TOOK PART IN FIGHTING ON NIGHT SEPTEMBER 21 WHICH MARKS
FIRST USE OF TROOPS FROM OUTSIDE D.F.

3. RECTOR BARROS SIERRA CONTINUES TO ENJOY VERY STRONG SUPPORT OF
STUDENTS, PROFESSORS AND UNIVERSITY WORKERS AND INTELLECTUAL
COMMUNITY. UNAM GOVERNING COUNCIL REPORTED TO BE MEETING LATE
AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 25 TO CONSIDER HIS RESIGNATION.

4. SITUATION IN CITY IS BUSINESS AS USUAL AS OF 1830 HOURS
SEPTEMBER 25. GOM STATES IT HAS SITUATION UNDER CONTROL.

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CONSIDERABLE ADDED POLICE PROTECTION ARRIVED IN FRONT OF EMBASSY
AT ABOUT 1820.

5. EMBASSY REPLY FORTHCOMING TO DEPTEL 24451 SEPT. 23, WITH
SITREP ON SEPTEMBER 26.
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