

El Salvador in line for new government

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — (AP) — Three members of El Salvador's governing junta said yesterday they would form a new government in an effort to end political violence that has taken more than 8,000 lives.

The three said in Tegucigalpa that a conservative junta member, Col. Jaime Abdul Gutierrez, would be commander in chief of the armed forces and that Jose Napoleon Duarte, a Christian Democrat, might become president. They said the new government would be formed next week.

Duarte, Gutierrez and Ramon Avalos Navarrete were in Tegucigalpa for the signing of a Honduras-El Salvador treaty to end a border dispute. They said that another junta member, Col. Adolfo Arnulfo Majano, remained in the government but could no longer give orders to the armed forces.

In San Salvador, Majano said he was not aware of any government reorganization and was uncertain of his future. "I will not fight any

Women seize Salvador embassy in Ecuador, leave after 8 hours

QUITO, Ecuador — (AP) — Fifteen young women seized the El Salvador embassy yesterday and demanded that Ecuador break diplomatic relations with El Salvador. The demonstrators left peacefully eight hours later.

El Salvador's ambassador to Ecuador, Manuel Arturo Calderon-Artiga, his wife, Alicia, and a secretary were reported uninjured. In a message to President Jaime Roldos of Ecuador, Ambassador Calderon-Artiga said that "this morning I was surprised by a group of peasants and workers who peacefully want to express their rejection" of the governing civilian-military junta in El Salvador.

The ambassador urged authorities to refrain from using force to remove the protesters. The message was delivered by a demonstrator.

decision by the junta," Majano said.

Gutierrez said: "We have violated the principle of unity of command and authority has been divided. In no army can there be two generals, and having them affects us at a military and government level. "For that reason, I have accept-

ed the commission of negotiating a new government that is more efficient, and administratively better, to push forward the changes that have happened in this country."

Gutierrez implied that the military gave him authority Saturday to take charge from Majano, a liberal. It was reported earlier that the military had voted, 300 to 4, to remove Majano from the junta after he had said in a radio interview that militant rightists blamed for most of the political murders had "infiltrated the high commands of the armed forces and the government."

The two colonels were elected by the military to represent it in the junta. The two military members and the two civilian members elect the fifth junta member.

The five-member military-civilian junta has ruled El Salvador since Gen. Carlos Humberto Romero was ousted in a coup October 15, 1979.

Thirteen political slayings were reported in El Salvador yesterday. The dead included a youth accused of being a government informer who apparently was killed by leftist guerrillas.

"One less government spy," read a placard left on the body of the youth, found near San Salvador, the capital. It was signed by a leftist guerrilla group.

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Salvador leftists down plane

GUAZAPA, El Salvador — (AP) — Left-wing guerrillas shot down an air-force plane flying support for government troops attacking guerrilla bases on the slopes of a mountain near this town yesterday, soldiers reported.

They said they heard machine-gun fire and the propellor-driven Corsair began trailing smoke and smashed into the side of the mountain where heavy fighting was under way. The ground troops said they did not know how many persons were in the plane or if there were any survivors.

The soldiers were working their way up the mountain, a stronghold of anti-government guerrillas, destroying base camps and ammunition dumps.

Plumes of smoke rose from the mountain less than 15 miles from the capital of San Salvador as the troops encountered stiff resistance from a guerrilla force estimated at 300.

Some reports said the smoke was from fires set by guerrillas to slow the army's advance; others said government air attacks sparked the blazes.

An American free-lance journalist working in El Salvador has been missing a week, and the United States embassy said it is "very concerned" he might be a victim of political violence.

The missing American journalist, John J. Sullivan, 26, of Bogota, N.J., was on assignment for Hustler magazine.

Salvador archbishop hits structure of new regime

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (UPI) — El Salvador's top Roman Catholic prelate called on the nation's day-old regime yesterday to "stop repression," but lashed out at the separation of civilian and military authority he blamed for the violence which has claimed more than 9,000 lives this year.

crack down on military officers accused of protecting rightist death squads blamed for most of the political killings reported this year in the Central American nation of 4.8 million.

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Jose Napoleon Duarte, one of two Christian Democrats on the disbanded junta, was named civilian President, but all military power went to Col. Jaime Abdul Gutierrez, a rightist junta member who became vice president and commander-in-chief.

Acting San Salvador Archbishop Arturo Rivera y Damas, in a clear attack on the separation of powers, said, "We must not repeat the parallel powers."

"These parallel powers have resulted in contradictions," he said in his homily yesterday at the capital's cathedral, using a popular euphemism for repression of leftist opponents.

Meanwhile, another 12 political slayings were reported, including seven persons whose bodies were found at dawn dumped around Santa Ana, the nation's second-largest city, authorities said.

The ruling junta was reorganized Saturday in an effort to