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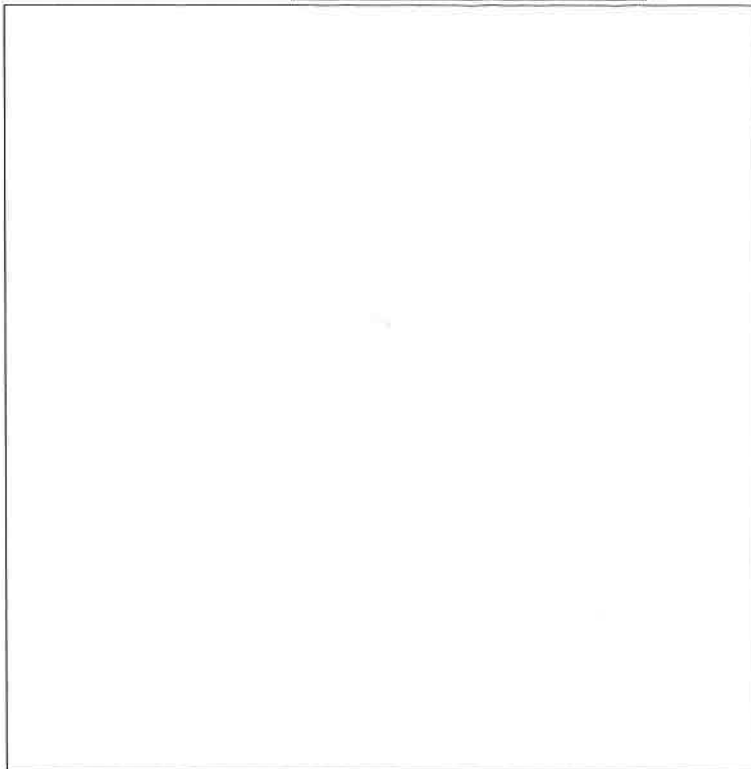
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2. IN AN AUGUST 25 MEETING WITH POLOFF, HOUSE PRESIDENT CESAR PEREZ

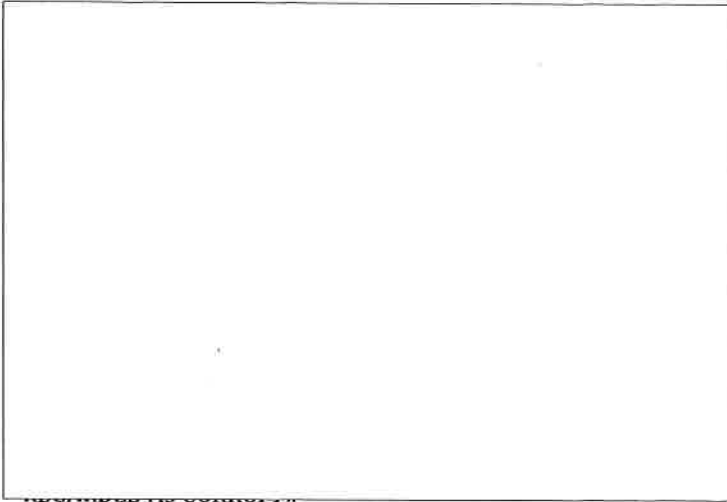


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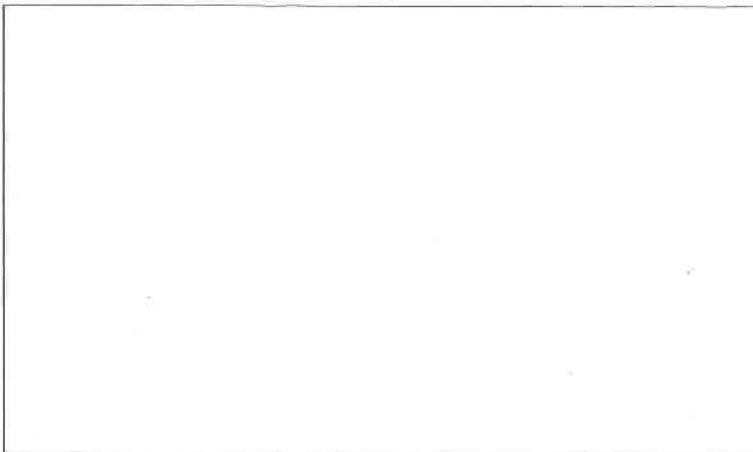
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6. PEREZ BELIEVES GAVIRIA IS OVER THE WORST OF THE ENVIGADO FALLOUT, AND HE (PEREZ) IS ANXIOUS TO "DE-ESCOBARIZE" CONGRESSIONAL DELIBERATIONS. PEREZ MINIMIZED THE POSSIBLE DAMAGE THE SENATE COMMISSION INVESTIGATION ON ENVIGADO (REF C) COULD CAUSE GAVIRIA. PEREZ ADDED THE CRITICISM OF GAVIRIA'S SURRENDER DECREES WAS UNFOUNDED, BUT THE GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO ADEQUATELY ENFORCE PRISON REGULATIONS AND AVOID "FANTASIES" LIKE THE ARRANGEMENTS MADE AT ENVIGADO FOR PABLO ESCOBAR.



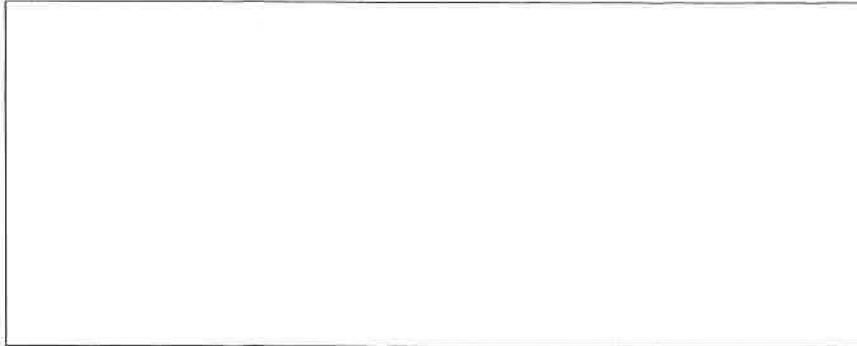
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