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GUATEMALAN ARMY LT. COLONEL CARLOS RENE (( OCHOA)) RUIZ, WHO WAS ARRESTED FOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING, [REDACTED] OCHOA'S ARREST FRIGHTENED A NUMBER OF PERSONS CONNECTED TO [REDACTED] AND THEY SUBSEQUENTLY ALTERED THEIR PATTERNS OF ACTIVITY IN THE EVENT OCHOA REPORTED ON THEM TO THE D-2. OCHOA COVERED THE MOVEMENT OF NARCOTICS IN GUATEMALA BY THE [REDACTED] THROUGH THE USE OF HIS MILITARY DOCUMENTATION, WHICH ALLOWED HIM TO PASS CHECKPOINTS WITHOUT INSPECTION OF HIS VEHICLE. IN ADDITION TO HIS NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING ACTIVITIES, OCHOA WAS INVOLVED IN BRINGING STOLEN CARS FROM THE U.S. TO GUATEMALA. HE AND HIS BROTHER OWN A BUILDING IN ZONE 1 OF GUATEMALA CITY, NEAR THE CINE FOX. ANOTHER MILITARY OFFICER INVOLVED WITH OCHOA IN NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING IS COLONEL JULIO ROBERTO (( ALPIREZ)) DE LEON. [REDACTED] COMMENT: ALPIREZ DE LEON IS ONE OF THE OFFICERS ACCUSED OF INVOLVEMENT IN OR HAVING KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE MURDER IN PETEN DEPARTMENT OF U.S. CITIZEN MICHAEL DEVINE IN 1990. OCHOA RUIZ WAS DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMY IN DECEMBER 1990 BECAUSE OF A NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING CASE DEVELOPED IN THE U.S.; HE WAS ARRESTED ON TRAFFICKING CHARGES IN EARLY 1991, AND IN MAY 1991 THE U.S. EMBASSY REQUESTED HIS EXTRADITION TO THE U.S., WHICH WAS PENDING AS OF MID-JUNE 1992.)

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