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1. COUNTRY: MEXICO

2. SUBJECT: (U) Status of Brig Gen Jose Hernandez Toledo

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[Redacted] to the military hospital to visit Brig Gen Jose Hernandez Toledo, Commander of the Parachute Battalion who was wounded in the violence which erupted on 2 October 1968 at the Plaza of Three Cultures. This officer has variously been reported dead and/or close to death; however, he appeared in most satisfactory condition. In brief he can be described as short, stocky, tough and cocky. He walked around his hospital room talking and gesticulating freely. General Hernandez explained that he had been shot twice in the upper chest by 45 caliber balls that ranged downward. He had suffered some lung infection and congestion subsequent to being wounded which gave rise to the report that he was in critical condition. [Redacted] asked the general how many men he lost, killed and wounded, on 2 October. The general responded, "Very few." He did not know exact number wounded but he believed eight were killed.

COMMENTS:

- (S) Defensa released information indicating that only two had been killed. Exact losses of the Army still undetermined. To correct this, [Redacted] has been requested to provide [Redacted] answers to following: (1) how many Army personnel were killed-wounded; (2) what type of weapons caused the wounds, and (3) number and nationality of any foreigners involved.
- (S) [Redacted] had previously mentioned that the Army "had taken good care" of 18 foreigners but he was not quite sure of their nationality, although he had heard that some of them were Cubans. When asked [Redacted] what "good care" meant, source gave [Redacted] impression he was sorry he had mentioned matter, but said "good care" meant in custody at Military Camp #1.

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