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IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL  
AND OTHER DEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

Letter dated 11 March 1988 from the Permanent Representative of  
El Salvador to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to  
the Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights

I would like to inform you that on Thursday, 10 March 1988, the headquarters of the Ministry of Labour (Ministerio de Trabajo y Prevision Social) was violently attacked by trade-unionist members of organizations under the facade of the Frerite Farabundo Marti para la Liberacion Nacional-Frente Democratico Revolucionario (FMLN/FDR), who held the Minister, Dr. Lazaro Tadeo Bernal Lizama, and all the other employees hostage. During the attack, Dr. Bernal Lizama was injured.

The Government of El Salvador considers and has already denounced these acts as forming part of a huge subversive plan headed towards boycotting the elections which will be held on 20 March 1988.

In view of the aforesaid, I denounce and energetically condemn on behalf of my Government these acts, which corroborate, once more, the human rights violations committed by terrorists of the FMLN/FDR and kindly ask you to circulate this denunciation as an official document of the forty-fourth session of the Commission on Human Rights.

(Signed) Miguel Alejandro GALLEGOS  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative