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Ottawa Citizen Oct. 25/84

(Column by John Walker)

Canada is going to decline an invitation to observe the Nicaraguan elections on Nov. 4 because of its concern at how they are being manipulated.

Globe and Mail Oct. 27/84

(Column by Oakland Ross)

The reason Nicaragua now wants to hold elections is to replenish its gradually dwindling international support, thereby raising obstacles to a U.S. military invasion. But elections don't mean democracy--as they don't in any Central American country.

La Presse Oct. 30/84

(Column by Pierre Saint-Germain)

If Nicaragua does not attempt to put an end to its political hostility, it may end up as Cuba.

La Presse Oct. 31/84

(Column by Pierre Saint-Germain)

Canada did not send observers to the Nicaraguan election because it wants to maintain itself un-Sandinista in the eyes of Washington.

La Presse Nov. 1/84

(Column by Pierre Saint-Germain)

Managua is much like a North American city--only the standard of living is lower.

Globe and Mail Nov. 2/84

(Column by Jeffrey Simpson)

Canada is right not to send observers to Nicaragua's elections. Canada has no business supporting either extreme--U.S. bellicosity (mining of harbours, support for contras) or sham elections.

La Presse Nov. 2/84

(Column by Pierre Saint-Germain)

The aggravation of friction between the Catholic Church authority of the Sandinistas appears to be the most prominent conflict of the electoral campaign.

Globe and Mail Nov. 3/84

(Column by Oakland Ross)

One day before the first Nicaraguan democratic elections, and the crowds are showing enthusiasm and public support for the Sandinistas.

La Presse Nov. 3/84

(Column by Pierre Saint-Germain)

While the Nicaraguan election campaign has provoked much excitement, surely the campaign will serve to appeal to the people to mobilize against the eventual military intervention of the U.S.

La Presse Nov. 4/84

(Column by Pierre Saint-Germain)

By the end of the election, the Sandinistas will have gained the credibility and legitimacy they felt they needed to democratically carry out their master plan for Sandinista control.