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1. ON 14 APRIL, THE NATIONAL GUARD ARRESTED FRANCISCO ARTURO TANG FORTALECHE, AKA ARTURO TANG, AT TOCUMEN AS HE WAS RETURNING FROM AN ASSIGNMENT AS PDP REPRESENTATIVE TO A PREPARATORY MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF COMMUNIST PARTIES. ACCORDING TO THE GN, TANG, WHO ARRIVED ON BRANIFF FLIGHT NO 976 FROM BOGOTA, VISITED TWO IRON CURTAIN COUNTRIES. EXCEPT FOR AN APPOINTMENT BOOK, THE BAGGAGE SEARCH WAS NEGATIVE. RESULTS OF TANG'S INTERROGATION AND THE BOOK WILL BE FORWARDED IF WARRANTED.

2. NO INDEX. FILE TANG-281.

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