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THIS FOLLOWS FROM M I P T 278 OF 11 SEPTEMBER.

THE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE "JUNTA MILITAR" DECLARED AS
FOLLOWS, IN VIEW OF THE GRAVE SOCIAL MORAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS IN
THE COUNTRY, THE INCAPACITY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO DEAL WITH THE
DETERIORATING SITUATION AND THE RISE IN THE FORMATION OF PARA-
MILITARY GROUPS WHICH THREATENED TO LEAD THE COUNTRY TO CIVIL WAR: -

- A) THE PRESIDENT MUST HAND OVER HIS AUTHORITY TO THE ARMED FORCES:
- B) THE ARMED FORCES WERE UNITED TO LIBERATE THE COUNTRY FROM
MARXISM:
- C) THE WORKERS WOULD NOT LOSE THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS SO FAR
ACHIEVED:
- D) ALL UP PRESS RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS SHOULD SUSPEND
ACTIVITIES IMMEDIATELY:
- E) THE POPULATION SHOULD STAY AT HOME AND AVOID INCIDENTS.

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