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CORRESPONDENTS FILING DISPATCHES FROM THE UPPER STORY COMMUNICATIONS ROOM OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY HIT THE FLOOR FOR SAFETY. TRACER BULLETS STREAKED ACROSS THE NIGHT SKY, WHICH WAS ILLUMINATED BY A GIANT FLARE.

THE SHOOTING STARTED WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE IN THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE STUCCO EMBASSY BUILDING. IT GAINED IN NOISE AND INTENSITY AS MACHINE GUNS DROWNED OUT WHAT SOUNDED LIKE RIFLES AND CARBINES. THE LIGHTS IN THE EMBASSY WERE SWITCHED OFF.

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