### IFES Observation Form
Nicaragua-October 20, 1996

**Name of Observer:** JONES  
**Department/Municipality/Town:** CARAZO-JINTOTEPE

**Number of Polling Station (JRV):**  
**Time Visited:**

**Number of Registered Voters:**

**Number of votes already casted**

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**Organization of the JRV:**

1. **Time JRV opened:** 7 - 9 am

2. **Were all JRV members present?**  
   - President: ___  
   - 1st member: ___  
   - 2nd member: ___  
   - Alternates: ___

3. **Were all materials available?**  
   - Yes ___  
   - No X  
   - Missing? Ballots ___  
   - Voters' list ___  
   - Ink ___  
   - Ballot boxes ___  
   - Tally sheets ___

4. **Did poll workers appear well ___ satisfactorily ___ poorly ___ trained?**

5. **Were poll watchers represented?**  
   - AL ___  
   - FSLN ___  
   - PCN ___  
   - UNO-96 ___  
   - MRS ___  
   - Other ___

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**Voting Process:**

6. **Was everyone allowed to vote?**  
   - If not, mark reason: No proof of voting ID ___  
   - Not on the voters’ list (*) ___  
   - Discrepancy between voter document and list (**) ___  
   - Wrong JRV ___

7. **Were voters allowed to cast their ballot secretly?**  
   - Yes ___  
   - No ___

8. **Average time to vote:**  
   - Less than 3 min. ___  
   - 3 to 5 min. ___  
   - More than 5 min. ___

9. **Were voters familiar with voting procedures?**  
   - Yes ___  
   - No ___

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**Voting Environment:**

10. **Did you observe any campaigning inside/outside the polling stations?**  
    - Yes ___  
    - No ___

11. **Were police/security intervening in the process?**

12. **Were international ___ national ___ observers present?**

13. **Other observations:**  
    - 10 faltaban del padrón
    - (No los llenó bien)

(*) According to Art. 41 of the Electoral Law, voters with a document providing they live in the area of the JRV, but who do not appear on the list, can vote.  
(**) According to Art. 122 / 2 of the Electoral Law, voters with a document providing they live in the area, but whose names appear differently on the list, may vote. In both cases the fact should be recorded in the closing form.
IRI ELECTION DAY CHECKLIST

Thlisi/Isani Town

11:00 Time

Polling Location #
1,715 Number of Registered Voters
200 by 9 Number that have cast ballots
18 Number of Election Officials
2,000 Number of Ballots Received

When were Ballots Received?
Last evening - brought by police

When did the Polling Location Open?
7AM

What Parties do the officials at the polling location represent?
Members of 20 including poll watchers

Number of poll watchers present?

From which Organizations?

Uniformed Military Present 4

Are the Military Personnel:
	Casting Ballots;
	Talking with Voters;
	Armed;
	Watching the Voters?

Comments on Military:

Any Problems with the Registration Lists?
Some names were not on the list

Are Orderly Procedures Followed?
Chaotic

Is Identification Required to Cast Ballots?

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Many people (approx. 20) filling out ballots
in a room for people that do not understand
the voting procedures and require help.