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Last week poll results were published from a survey conducted by the independent Center for Documentation and Social Analysis (CEDAS). If the elections took place today, 29.6% of respondents would vote for the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN), 25% were undecided, and 36.2% would vote for one of the opposition parties. Nine percent said they would abstain. General elections are scheduled for February 1990. The survey was published in the weekly La Cronica, a publication of the Popular Social Christian Party, headed by Mauricio Diaz. The newspaper said the government's popularity "had hardly been affected" by the skyrocketing inflation and declining living standards affecting Nicaragua. The CEDAS poll said that President Daniel Ortega continued to lead as presidential candidate, with 14.6% support. La Prensa publisher Violeta Barrios de Chamorro polled second with 14.5%. (Basic data from AFP, 04/28/89)

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