

Mexican leader assassinated

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A young man assassinated a key official of Mexico's ruling party Wednesday, rocking a country already buffeted by a turbulent year of violence and rebellion.

Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu, secretary-general of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), was shot in the neck after getting into his car following breakfast at a downtown hotel. Shattered glass from the passenger side window was strewn on the busy Paseo de la Reforma boulevard.

A bank guard tackled the gunman and turned him over to police. Officials did not immediately identify the dark-haired man or give a motive for what President Carlos Salinas de Gortari described as "a hideous crime."

"This is a day of mourning for PRIistas. This is a day of mourning for all Mexicans," said President-elect Ernesto Zedillo.

The killing shocked officials still recovering from the March 23 assassination of PRI presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio, shot at a Tijuana campaign rally. Zedillo, his successor, won the Aug. 21 presidential election and takes power Dec. 1.

Both Zedillo and Salinas were at the Hospital Espanol where Ruiz Massieu, his shirt ripped open and soaked with blood, was rushed after the shooting. Doctors said Ruiz Massieu had no pulse on arrival and was pronounced dead at 10:30 a.m., an hour after the shooting.

Mexico had been shaken this year, not only by Colosio's killing and the New Year's uprising by rebels in southern Mexico, but a wave of kidnappings of businessmen and narcotics-related violence.

Deputy Attorney General Mario Ruiz Massieu, the slain man's brother, announced the death. He is in charge of prosecuting drug traffickers for the

federal attorney general's office, which has the suspected gunman in custody.

Drug traffickers are accused of murdering Roman Catholic Cardinal Juan Jesus Posadas Ocampo in a case of mistaken identity at the Guadalajara airport in May 1993.

The assassination of Ruiz Massieu, No. 2 in the ruling party, jolted Mexico just as the country appeared to be settling down after months of violence and political turbulence.

Despite the Mayan Indian movement uprising in southern Mexico that began New Year's Day, the PRI, which has governed Mexico since 1929, was able to gain 50 percent of the vote in the national election. Widely feared post-electoral violence failed to materialize.

Ruiz Massieu, a 48-year-old lawyer, was a rising figure in Mexican politics. He was elected to congress in August and was selected to lead the PRI delegation that would dominate the lower house.

He was governor of the impoverished western state of Guerrero, where Acapulco is located, from 1987 to 1993 and was named PRI secretary-general in May as the party reorganized itself in the wake of Colosio's murder.

Ruiz Massieu also represented the PRI before the Federal Electoral Institute, which is in the midst of reviewing challenges to the August election and certifying the results.

Mexico's stock market, which had been rising, plunged more than 3 percent after the shooting before bouncing back slightly in the afternoon. The value of the Mexican peso dipped slightly after the shooting.

Mexico City Mayor Manuel Aguilera described the weapon used as a submachine gun. Witnesses told local media it was an Uzi.

China returns remains of servicemen to U.S.

BEIJING (AP) — China returned to the U.S. government today the remains of two American airmen killed during World War II when their plane crashed in Tibet.

The two airmen were part of U.S. efforts to support Chinese troops fighting invading Japanese forces. Nearly 500 U.S. planes were shot down or crashed during the 1942-1945 airlift over the Himalayas from northeastern India to China's landlocked forces based in Kunming. About 40 people are still unaccounted for.

U.S. officials did not give the identities of the servicemen. The crash site of a C-87 cargo plane was discovered in September 1993 by a Tibetan hunter. The Chinese Army and a team of local authorities recovered the bodies of three of the five crew and turned them over to the United States last December.

Earlier this month, a joint U.S.-Chinese recovery team returned to the site and recovered the remains of the other two crewmen.

The remains were turned over to the U.S. government at a brief, solemn ceremony at the Babaoshan Revolutionary Cemetery in Beijing.

Fourteen American and Chinese military and government officials saluted the two large white boxes, each topped with a folded American flag.

China also handed over altimeters and two pieces from the plane's landing gear wheel cover.

The remains are to be flown to the U.S. Army Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii.

The plane crashed into a glacier in northeastern Tibet on Dec. 31, 1944, on its way back from Kunming to its base in Joharat, India. It is believed to have encountered high winds and icy conditions.

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Cross Country Meet	MWC Ind./Team (3)		Oct. 18, 3 p.m.	Oct. 19, 4 p.m.	NC

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(see flyers for details of week's events)					
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