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1. PARTIAL RESULTS REPORTED IN MORNING PRESS, ON BASIS MIDNIGHT FIGURES FURNISHED BY JCE, TOTALLED SOME 575,000. INCLUDED NEARLY COMPLETE VOTE FROM NATIONAL DISTRICT AND SUBSTANTIAL TOTALS FROM ALL LARGER URBAN LOCALITIES, BUT MISSING WERE ANY FIGURES FOR OVER HALF COUNTRY'S MUNICIPALITIES. HEAVY RAINS LAST NIGHT IN CIBAO REPORTEDLY SLOWING REPORTING RETURNS FROM THERE. OVERALL REFORMISTA PORTION RUNNING ABOUT 57 PER CENT, INDEPENDENTS 28 PER CENT, PRSC 15 PER CENT.

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REFORMISTAS REPORTED TRAILING INDEPENDENTS IN SAN FRANCISCO, TENARES, BANI, HIGUEY, HATO MAYOR, EL SEIBO, LA ROMANA, AND SAN PEDRO DE MACORIS, WITH PRSC LEADING AZUA, YAMASA AND MOCA, THOUGH REPORTS ON LAST CONFUSED.

2. VOTE REPORTED IN NATIONAL DISTRICT APPROXIMATELY 175,000. LLUBERES CLEAR WINNER WITH SOME 61 PERCENT, PRSC SECOND WITH ABOUT 27 PER CENT WITH INDEPENDENTS MARTINEZ FRANCISCO AND MERCEDES ABOUT 5 PERCENT EACH AND INDEPENDENT FELIZ PEGUERO ABOUT 2 PERCENT.

3. WITH SOME 45,000 VOTES IN NATIONAL DISTRICT AND 40,000 ALREADY FROM ELSEWHERE IN COUNTRY, PRSC APPEARS CERTAIN TO GO OVER 100,000 TOTAL VOTE.

4. WHILE CARIBE ESTIMATES ABSTENTION AT 35 TO 40 PER CENT,

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