SALVADOR

Area ............... 34,000 sq. km.
Population (v. 1930) ....... 1,438,000
Density per sq. km. ......... 42.3

I. Army.

ORGANISATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE ARMY

The army of Salvador consists of the permanent forces, and the militia, which is part of the army of the Republic and is divided into the active militia — the only section organised at the present time — the militia reserve and the territorial reserve.

The armed forces of Salvador are under the control of the Ministry of War, Marine and Aviation.

The permanent forces are posted to three military areas, each containing one division.

1. Higher units: Permanent army: 3 divisions (6 brigades);
   Active militia: 3 divisions (6 brigades).

2. Arms and services: Permanent army.
   Infantry: 12 regiments (24 battalions);
   Cavalry: 1 regiment;
   Artillery: 3 regiments;
   Air force: The air force at present consists of 6 aeroplanes, of which 5 are destined for the use of civil aviation.
   Active militia: 12 regiments (47 battalions).

In addition to the permanent forces and the militia, the national guard constitutes a unit of the regular forces of the country, and is essentially military in character. In time of war, it is placed under the Commander-in-Chief of the army, and the Ministry of War. In time of peace, it is entrusted with the maintenance of internal order and is placed under the Ministry of War; it is, however, under the Ministry of the Interior as regards its special duties and pay. It consists of 10 infantry companies.
RECRUITING SYSTEM

Military service is voluntary. Men between 17 and 23 years of age may enlist for a period of one year; in the national guard the minimum period of enlistment is two years.

Men between 18 and 27 years of age are eligible for the active militia. The active militia contingent (1926) consists of 44,750 men.

BUDGETARY EFFECTIVES
(1931-32)

Army: Officers, N.C.O.s and men . . . . . . 2,919
National guard (maximum) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 710

II. Budget Expenditure on National Defence.

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1 Not available.

Notes. — 1. These amounts include expenditure on the National Guard, estimated at 0.6 million colones for 1927-28 and for 1928-29 and at 0.8 million for 1929-30.

2. Expenditure on pensions, included in the above table, averages 0.1 million colones annually.