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The expanded press pool, representing news organizations of the seven nations attending the Summit, encountered a new wrinkle in security upon arrival at the press helipad on the outer edge of the Dorado Beach Golf Course. After departing the helicopter, the press was required to lay its typewriters, briefcases, and television and still camera equipment on the fairway and step back five paces from the equipment. Then a trained German shepherd sniffed the line of equipment to assure no explosives were brought into the Conference. The dog was identified as a two-year old bitch named Xinty attached to a U.S. military unit. The Secret Service initially refused to permit photographs of the dog but later relented after vehement objections were raised.

An unidentified Secret Service agent was asked if he was ashamed of the operation.

He replied, "I am not ashamed of the operation. I want to preserve the integrity of the dog."

The dog also sniffed through, around, and under the buses carrying the press from the Satellite Press Center, converted temporarily from the Golf Pro Shop. A White House spokesman explained the exercise was a routine precaution.

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Rich Thomas - Newsweek

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