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FIRST PICTURES FROM MADRID AFTER ELECTIONS.
ARMOURED CARS GUARD PRISON.

Fierce battles between rioters and troops broke out in Madrid and other Spanish centres when it became known that the left parties had gained the majority in the general elections. Mobs stormed through the streets of the capital demanding the release of political prisoners and a State of Alarm was declared. Armoured cars were brought into action against the demonstrators, many of whom were injured, but large numbers of police and soldiers went over to the side of the rioters and refused to charge the crowds. PHOTO SHOWS:- An armoured car and police on guard outside the Model Prison in Madrid when demonstrators were demanding the release of political prisoners.

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