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PORT-AU-PRINCE (AP) - International monitors are recommending that the government-backed candidate in Haiti's presidential election should be removed from the ballot in the upcoming runoff vote. A draft report by the Organization of American States monitoring team calls for eliminating candidate Jude Celesitin because of evidence of improper balloting. The OAS presents the report January 10 to President Rene Preval. The report has not been released publicly. The Associated Press obtained a copy on condition of anonymity. A foreign official familiar with the mission's activities confirms its conclusions. The report recommends that third-place finisher Michel Martelly move up to second to face former first lady Mirlande Manigat.

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