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SUBJECT: SENDERO LUMINOSO BOMBS LOCAL
- BUSINESS, ASSASSINATES NEIGHBORHOOD
- LEADER

1. (U) AT 23:00 ON SEPTEMBER 22, A CAR BOMB WITH AN ESTIMATED 60 KILOS OF DYNAMITE EXPLODED OUTSIDE A PRODUCTION PLANT OF THE D'ONOFRIO COMPANY, PERU'S LARGEST PRODUCER OF ICE CREAM AND CANDY, IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA OF LIMA'S BRENA DISTRICT. THE BLAST CAUSED NINE INJURIES AND BLEW A HOLE ESTIMATED 3.5 METERS LONG AND 2.5 METERS WIDE IN THE BUILDING'S PERIMETER

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WALL. THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO HOUSES AND COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS WITHIN A 100-METER RADIUS OF THE BLAST. THE COMPANY RECENTLY HAD LAID OFF OVER 200 WORKERS. AT 19:45 HOURS, A MUCH SMALLER DEVICE WITH SOME 300 GRAMS OF DYNAMITE DETONATED IN CENTRAL LIMA. THERE WAS MATERIAL DAMAGE ONLY. UNCONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS CLAIM A SMALL EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DEACTIVATED ON AN OVERPASS BRIDGE ACROSS LIMA'S MAIN NORTH-SOUTH HIGHWAY IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA IN THE SURCO DISTRICT.

2. (C) AT APPROXIMATELY 1330 ON SEPTEMBER 22, POLICE FOUND TWO SENDERO RED FLAGS WITH THE HAMMER AND SICKLE EMBLEM FLYING FROM ELECTRICAL POLES IN LIMA'S EASTERN CANTO GRANDE SHANTYTOWN. THE DISTRICT IS THE SITE OF LIMA'S PRINCIPAL PRISON FOR MALE TERRORISTS. GRAFFITI SUPPORTING SL'S CONTINUED ARMED STRUGGLE

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 REPORTEDLY APPEARED IN SOUTHERN LIMA'S VILLA EL SALVADOR DISTRICT OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS. A SEPARATE SOURCE FROM VILLA ALSO REPORTED A SENDERO FLYER RECALLING SL FOUNDER ABIMAEEL GUZMAN'S DEFIANT SEPTEMBER 24, 1992 SPEECH THAT EXHORTED HIS FOLLOWERS TO CONTINUE THE ARMED STRUGGLE. COMMENT: THE SPEECH HAS BECOME A LANDMARK DATE, ESPECIALLY TO THE SENDERO OUTSIDE THE PRISONS. IT WAS DELIVERED AT THE GOP'S FORMAL PRESENTATION OF THE RECENTLY-CAPTURED GUZMAN TO THE MEDIA. THE GOP SOUGHT TO HUMILIATE GUZMAN BY PRESENTING HIM IN STRIPED PRISON GARB AND INSIDE A CAGE. END COMMENT.

3. (U) ON SEPTEMBER 20, PRESUMED SENDERO LUMINOSO TERRORISTS ASSASSINATED CARLOS HERRERA HERRERA, WHO HAD BEEN ELECTED SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE "LAURA CALLER" SHANTYTOWN IN THE LIMA DISTRICT OF LOS OLIVOS A MONTH BEFORE. HERRERA HAD CAMPAIGNED ON THE PROMISE TO ELIMINATE TERRORISM BY ORGANIZING A SELF-DEFENSE COMMITTEE AND TIGHTENING NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY.

4. (C) COMMENT: THE ASSASSINATION AND THE CAR BOMB (THE FIRST IN SEVERAL MONTHS) ARE LIKELY

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"IN COMMEMORATION" OF GUZMAN'S DEFIANT SEPTEMBER
24, 1992 SPEECH AND PROBABLY FORM PART OF THE
THIRD CAMPAIGN OF THE SIXTH MILITARY PLAN
LAUNCHED RECENTLY BY SENDERO'S LEADER, OSCAR
ALBERTO RAMIREZ DURAND (AKA FELICIANO). MACK

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