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SUBJECT: GENERAL WHO REVEALED MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN

LA CANTUTA MASSACRE RECEIVES DEATH THREATS

PAGE 02 LIMA 09890 241235Z 1. (C) SUMMARY: GEN. RODOLFO ROBLES, WHO ACCUSED PUBLICLY THE MILITARY AND THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (SIN) OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COLINA DEATH SQUAD AND THE 1992 LA CANTUTA MASSACRE, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HE HAS BEEN SUBJECT TO TELEPHONIC DEATH THREATS AND SURVEILLANCE. SINCE RETURNING TO PERU FROM SELF-IMPOSED EXILE IN ARGENTINA LAST JUNE, ROBLES HAS BEEN SEEKING HIS REINCORPORATION INTO THE ARMY AND HAS INITIATED SEVERAL LAWSUITS AGAINST THE ARMED FORCES LEADERSHIP, INCLUDING ONE CHARGING THAT A MILITARY HOSPITAL'S REFUSAL TO TREAT HIS MOTHER LED TO HER RECENT DEATH. THOUGH



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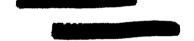
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MILITARY OR INTELLIGENCE ELEMENTS MAY BE HARASSING ROBLES, HE IS PROBABLY NOT IN IMMEDIATE DANGER.

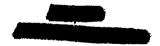
END SUMMARY.

(U) GEN. RODOLFO ROBLES, WHO IN MAY 1993 PUBLICLY REVEALED THAT A PERUVIAN MILITARY DEATH SQUAD COMMITTED THE JULY 1992 LA CANTUTA MASSACRE, AND WHO ATTRIBUTED RESPONSIBILTY FOR THIS UNIT TO THE MILITARY LEADERSHIP AND THE SIN, CLAIMED HE HAD RECENTLY RECEIVED SEVERAL TELEPHONIC DEATH THREATS. ACCORDING TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS COORDINADORA AND PRESS REPORTS, THE FIRST SUCH THREAT OCCURRED SEPTEMBER 26, WHEN A MALE CALLER MISTAKING ROBLES' SON FOR THE GENERAL SAID "WE ARE GOING TO KILL YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR WIFE BECAUSE YOU ARE A TRAITOR, SO STOP MESSING AROUND. IF NOT YOU WILL SEE WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU." THE FOLLOWING DAY, ROBLES RECEIVED TWO SIMILAR TELEPHONIC DEATH THREATS. AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL ISSUED AN URGENT ACTION BULLETIN OCTOBER 5 EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT THESE THREATS. IN ADDITION, ROBLES HAS PUBLICLY STATED THAT HE IS UNDER REGULAR SURVEILLANCE AND OPPOSITION NEWSPAPER "LA REPUBLICA" PUBLISHED A DESCRIPTION



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- (C) AFTER PASSAGE OF THE AMNESTY LAW IN JUNE, ROBLES RETURNED TO PERU FROM EXILE IN ARGENTINA AND BECAME A PROMINENT FIGURE IN THE DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE AMNESTY LAW'S PROVISIONS WHICH FORGAVE THOSE SECURITY FORCE OFFICERS WHO COMMITTED HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES DURING COUNTERINSURGENT OPERATIONS SINCE 1980. ROBLES IS CURRENTLY BEING PAID HALF OF HIS MILITARY SALARY. RECENTLY, HE HAS BEEN SEEKING REINCORPORATION INTO THE ARMY AND RESTORATION OF HIS MILITARY BENEFITS SUCH AS HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THOSE CONVICTED OF THE LA CANTUTA MASSACRE, WHO NEVER LOST THEIR MILITARY STATUS AND ARE NOW REPORTEDLY BACK ON ACTIVE DUTY. ROBLES HAS SEVERAL LAWSUITS PENDING AGAINST THE PERUVIAN MILITARY LEADERSHIP, INCLUDING ONE RELATING TO HIS REINCORPORATION INTO THE MILITARY AND ANOTHER ALLEGING THAT A MILITARY HOSPITAL'S REFUSAL TO TREAT HIS MOTHER AGGRAVATED HER CONDITION AND LED TO HER RECENT DEATH.
- 4. (C) TWO RELIABLE EMBASSY CONTACTS (A JOURNALIST AND A HUMAN RIGHTS WORKER) SEPARATELY TOLD POLOFF THAT THEY HAD



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RECENTLY MET WITH ROBLES AND WERE PERSUADED THAT HE REALLY HAD RECEIVED THE THREATS. THE JOURNALIST HAD ENCOURAGED ROBLES TO PUBLICLY DENOUNCE THE THREATS.

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5. (C) COMMENT: WE CANNOT DISCOUNT THE POSSIBILITY THAT MILITARY OR INTELLIGENCE ELEMENTS ARE HARASSING ROBLES. HOWEVER, EVEN IF THIS IS TRUE, WE DO NOT BELIEVE HIS LIFE IS IN IMMEDIATE DANGER.

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