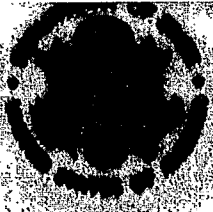


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2. SUMMARY: THE SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) ATTACKED
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A RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT RUN BY THE EUROPEAN

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ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (EEC) OUTSIDE THE CITY OF PUNO THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 21. THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PROJECT AND HIS DRIVER WERE BRUTALLY MURDERED, EQUIPMENT STOLEN AND 60 PERCENT OF THE FACILITY DESTROYED. THIS IS THE SECOND INCIDENT IN THE LAST THREE WEEKS AGAINST FOREIGN SUPPORTED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. END SUMMARY.

3. ON DECEMBER 23, WE LEARNED FROM THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR IN LIMA THAT THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 21, 20 HOODED SL FORCED THEIR WAY INTO "PROJECT PAMPA," A EUROPEAN INTEGRATED RURAL PROJECT IN CHOQUIHUANCA 100 KILOMETERS OUTSIDE THE CITY OF PUNO. EEC PERSONNEL RUN THE OVER 20 MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT AND, FORTUNATELY, ALL BUT ONE OF THE EUROPEANS WERE BACK HOME ON LEAVE. THE LAST ONE WILL BE LEAVING ASAP.

4. THE SL KNIFED TO DEATH THE PERUVIAN DEPUTY MANAGER OF THE PROJECT AND HIS DRIVER. THEY STOLE TWO CARS, SEVERAL BICYCLES AND TYPEWRITERS. THEY BRUNED DOWN 60 PERCENT OF THE FACILITY AND LEFT FLYERS THAT READ: "THIS IS HOW APRISTAS DIE. THIS IS HOW ALL THE EMPLOYEES AND WORKERS OF THE PROJECT PAMPA WILL DIE. DEATH TO PROJECT PAMPA! DEATH TO THE APRA PARTY!" LOOTERS FROM THE TOWN NEARBY SUBSEQUENTLY LOOTED THE PROJECT SITE.

5. ACCORDING TO THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR, THE POLICE REFUSE TO PROVIDE PROTECTION BECAUSE IT IS "TOO DANGEROUS." THE MILITARY IS HESITANT TO GO IN BECAUSE IT IS NOT AN EMERGENCY ZONE.
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EEC AMBASSADORS IN LIMA WILL MEET SOON TO DISCUSS WHAT TO DO NEXT.

6. COMMENT: THE ATTACK AGAINST A FOREIGN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT COMES SIXTEEN DAYS AFTER THE MURDER OF TWO YOUNG FRENCH AND ONE PERUVIAN DEVELOPMENT WORKERS IN APURIMAC DEPARTMENT. THERE HAS BEEN INCREASING CONCERN ABOUT THE SECURITY SITUATION ON THE PART OF WESTERN DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS WITH ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL IN RURAL OR REMOTE AREAS OF THE COUNTRY.

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WHILE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE WORKERS HAVE BEEN AMONG RECENT VICTIMS OF SL VIOLENCE, IT IS STILL NOT CLEAR THAT THERE IS A NEW SL STRATEGY TO SPECIFICALLY TARGET FOREIGN AID PROJECTS AND PERSONNEL.

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