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 TAGS: ASEC, PTER, PHUM, ALOW, PE  
 SUBJECT: MRTA ATTACKS HOME OF FINANCE MINISTER

1. (U) SUMMARY. IN SEPARATE INCIDENTS TERRORISTS  
 ATTACKED THE HOME OF FINANCE MINISTER CESAR VASQUEZ  
 BAZAN (SEPTEMBER 8), KILLED THE NIECE OF AN IU  
 SENATOR (SEPTEMBER 7), AND ASSASSINATED THE LAST  
 WITNESS TO THE MAY 14, 1988 CAYARA MASSACRE  
 (SEPTEMBER 5). THE ATTACK ON THE MINISTER WAS MRTA,  
 THE OTHERS MAY HAVE BEEN SL OR \*RODRIGO FRANCO

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## 2. MRTA ATTACKS FINANCE MINISTER'S HOME: -----

(U) MRTA IS BELIEVED RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 9 ATTACK ON THE HOME OF FINANCE MINISTER CESAR VASQUEZ BAZAN. ONE POLICE OFFICER GUARDING THE HOME WAS KILLED. TWO OTHERS ESCAPED WITHOUT INJURY. WHILE THE MINISTER WAS NOT AT HOME DURING THE 1830 HOURS INCIDENT, HIS MOTHER AND GRANDPARENTS WERE.

3. (C) THE ATTACK WAS NOT PARTICULARLY WELL PLANNED AND APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN DESIGNED MORE FOR PUBLICITY AND INTIMIDATION THAN TO KILL THE FINANCE MINISTER. THE MINISTER'S HOUSE WAS SPRAYED WITH RIFLE FIRE FROM ONE OR TWO VEHICLES PASSING IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE. THE ROUNDS KILLED THE POLICE SERGEANT. LEAFLETS ALLEGEDLY FROM THE MRTA CLAIMING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK WERE FOUND IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS, INCLUDING IN A PHONE BOOTH NEAR THE U.S. CONSULATE IN MIRAFLORES.

4. (C) THE LEAFLET APPEARS TO BE A GENUINE MRTA PRODUCT. IT EXPLAINS THAT THE COPS WERE TARGETED BECAUSE OF RECENT POLICE "EXCESSES" AGAINST THE MRTA. THE FINANCE MINISTER'S HOME WAS CHOSEN DUE TO VASQUEZ' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ECONOMIC SUFFERING OF PERU'S POOR.

## 5. NIECE OF IU SENATOR KILLED: -----

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(U) THE NIECE OF IU SENATOR GENARO LEDESMA WAS KILLED BY MASKED GUNMEN SEPTEMBER 7 IN CERRO DE PASCO, PASCO DEPARTMENT. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, GLADYS RARAZ WAS SHOT WHILE TRYING TO PROTECT HER FATHER, FERMIN RARAZ WHO IS AN IU MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE IN CERRO DE PASCO. THESE ACCOUNTS STATE THAT TWO MASKED, UNIFORMED MEN ENTERED RARAZ' GROCERY STORE DEMANDING MONEY "TO PAY FOR THE ARMED STRUGGLE." RARAZ REFUSED. THE INTRUDERS PULLED REVOLVERS AND SHOT AT THE FATHER, KILLING THE DAUGHTER WHO HAD STEPPED INTO THE LINE OF

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FIRE.

6. (U) SENATOR LEDESMA STATED THAT HE DOUBTS THE KILLERS WERE SL. THE LEFTIST PRESS HAS SPECULATED RODRIGO FRANCO COMMAND RESPONSIBILITY.

7. ANOTHER CAYARA "MASSACRE" WITNESS KILLED:  
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(U) ON SEPTEMBER 8 UNKNOWN GUNMEN KILLED THE LAST OF THE THREE PRINCIPAL WITNESSES TO THE ALLEGED MAY 14, 1988 MASSACRE OF VILLAGERS IN THE AYACUCHO DEPARTMENT VILLAGE OF CAYARA. MARTHA CRISOSTOMO GARCIA WAS SHOT IN AN AYACUCHO CITY SLUM BY EIGHT MASKED, UNIFORMED MEN AT 1530 HOURS. THE SAME KILLERS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE KILLED A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT A FEW MINUTES LATER IN THE SAME AREA.

8. (C) IN THE SECOND INCIDENT, THREE MEN KNOCKED ON THE DOOR OF THE UNNAMED STUDENT, IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS POLICE. A NOTE WAS FOUND ON THE BODY WHICH READ, "THUS THIEVES (RATERAS) DIE. SIGNED, PCP-SL." MOST LIMA PRESS HAS BEEN SILENT ON ASSIGNING BLAME. AS IN THE CASE OF THE TWO PREVIOUS WITNESSES KILLED DECEMBER 14, 1988 (88 LIMA 17452)

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THE ASSASSINS COULD HAVE BEEN SL, MILITARY, OR POLICE.

9. OTHER INCIDENTS:  
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(U) IU MAYORAL CANDIDATE FOR LIMA, HENRY PEASE,  
ANNOUNCED DURING A SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, TELEVISION  
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INTERVIEW THAT TWO OF HIS BODYGUARDS WERE KIDNAPPED  
AND HELD FOR 8 HOURS BY UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO WANT HIM

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TO QUIT THE CAMPAIGN. PEASE HINTED OFFICIAL GOP RESPONSIBILITY. HE STATED THAT HIS TWO MEN ESCAPED WHILE THE KIDNAPPERS WERE DISTRACTED.

10. (U) POLICE SOURCES REPORTED THAT 8 SUSPECTED SENDERO TERRORISTS WERE KILLED DURING A SEPTEMBER 8 CLASH IN CANETE PROVINCE, SOUTH OF LIMA. MILITARY SOURCES REPORTED THAT 20 TERRORISTS DIED IN A SEPTEMBER 5 FIGHT NEAR AGUAYTIA, UPPER HUALLAGA VALLEY. THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 8 THAT POLICE CAPTURED 10 TERRORISTS INVOLVED IN THE ATTACKS AGAINST THE PRESIDENTIAL ESCORT BATTALION (JUNE 3) AND THE SOVIET FISHERMEN (JULY 5).

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