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RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AUGUST 31 KILLING OF JUANA
VIOLETA LOPEZ, DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAM IN THE
JUAN PABLO II SECTION OF CALLAO. LOPEZ
REPORTEDLY HAD THREATENED PUBLICLY TO EXPOSE SL
MEMBERS IN CALLAO A FEW DAYS BEFORE SHE WAS
ASSASSINATED.

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DEPT FOR HA - MIKE JACOBSON; ARA - MARK KIRK

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TAGS: PTER, PHUM, ASEC, PE
SUBJECT: SL HAMMERS MORE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

REF: WILLIAMSON/BRAYSHAW TELCON // 3B

1. (U) SUMMARY: SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL)
DESTROYED A FOOD WAREHOUSE IN VILLA EL SALVADOR
TWO DAYS AFTER THE VISIT OF CODEL HATFIELD, BUT
THE TWO EVENTS ARE PROBABLY UNRELATED. IN OTHER
INCIDENTS TWO PERUVIANS DIED AS SENDERO
CONTINUES TO TARGET DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.
END SUMMARY.

SL GOES AFTER FOOD PROGRAM

2. (U) THE LIMA PRESS CREDITED SL TERRORISTS
FOR BOMBING THE OFFICES OF THE POPULAR WOMEN'S
FEDERATION (FPM) IN THE "PUEBLO JOVEN" OF VILLA
EL SALVADOR ON SEPTEMBER 10. THE BOMB DESTROYED
A TWO WEEK STOCK OF FOOD STORES USED FOR FEEDING
UP TO TWO THOUSAND NEEDY FAMILIES AND THE VASO
DE LECHE SCHEME. NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED, BUT
THE OFFICES AND A VEHICLE USED FOR FOOD
DISTRIBUTION WERE DAMAGED.

3. (U) THE BOMBING OCCURRED TWO DAYS AFTER
CODEL HATFIELD VISITED VILLA EL SALVADOR. THE
CODEL (WITH 16 AMERICANS) VISITED A FEEDING
PROGRAM CENTER, BUT NOT THE ONE BOMBED. A VILLA
EL SALVADOR COMMUNITY LEADER AND FORMER MAYOR
TOLD US HE THOUGHT THE BOMB WAS NOT RELATED TO
THE U.S. DELEGATION; HE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS PART
OF SL'S WELL-ESTABLISHED POLICY OF ATTACKING

DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE PROJECTS. VILLA EL
SALVADOR OFFICIALS CONCEDE SL OPERATES IN THE
"PUEBLOS JOVENES" BUT INSIST THAT THE MAJORITY
OF THE PEOPLE OPPOSE TERRORISM

4. (U) THE ATTACK WAS THE SECOND AGAINST THE
VASO DE LECHE PROGRAM IN THE LIMA AREA WITHIN
TWO WEEKS. AN SL ASSASSINATION TEAM APPEARS

5. (U) THE UN OFFICE OF INFORMATION IN LIMA
TOLD US THAT AN EMPLOYEE OF A UN-FINANCED AND
SUPPORTED DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE IN THE
HUALLAGA VALLEY WAS SHOT TO DEATH BY UNKNOWN
SUBVERSIVES APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO. HE
EMPHASIZED THAT THIS PERSON WAS NOT DIRECTLY
CONNECTED TO THE UN OPERATIONS IN PERU, AND AS
SUCH THE UN INFORMATION OFFICER SAID HE DID NOT
EVEN KNOW THE VICTIM'S NAME. THIS UN SOURCE
CONFIRMED THAT NO UN EMPLOYEE HAD BEEN KILLED IN
RECENT DAYS (REF. TELCON).

6. (U) AN AID EMPLOYEE WHO OFTEN GOES TO THE
HUALLAGA VALLEY REPORTED THAT A LOCAL
COOPERATIVE OFFICER NAMED MUNOZ AND THREE OTHER
CAMPESESINOS WERE KILLED ON AUGUST 28 IN AN SL
DOMINATED "RED ZONE" NEAR UCHIZA IN SAN MARTIN
DEPARTMENT. MUNOZ APPARENTLY HAD HIS THROAT CUT
AND THE OTHERS WERE KILLED "LIKE THE BULLS" WITH
A HOLE PUNCHED INTO THE BACK OF THEIR NECKS,
REPORTEDLY DURING A TYPE OF MACABRE SL RITUAL.

7. (U) COMMENT: SL IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE

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