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ENTIRE TEXT.

2. IN SOMEWHAT BIZARRE TWIST, NAVAL OFFICER ACCUSED OF MURDER IN AYALA CASE, WHICH SUPREME COURT RECENTLY FOUND SHOULD BE TRIED IN CIVIL AS OPPOSED TO MILITARY COURTS (REFTEL), HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED. ACCORDING TO PUBLISHED VERSIONS, COMMANDER ALVARO SERAPIO (ARTAZA) ANDRIAZEN (NOT (SERAPIO) ARTAZA, AS IDENTIFIED REFTEL) WAS GRABBED ON LIMA STREET FEBRUARY 2 BY FOUR MEN AND TAKEN AWAY IN CAR IN WHICH HE HAD BEEN DRIVING.

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CAR WAS ALLEGEDLY FOLLOWED BY SECOND CAR CONTAINING

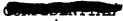
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TWO ADDITIONAL MEN. DESPITE REPORTED POLICE DRAGNET, NO SIGN OF ARTAZA HAS AS YET SURFACED.

- 3. MILITARY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE DESCRIBING KIDNAPPING AS TERRORIST OPERATIONS BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY. SOURCES DIFFER AS TO WHETHER IT WAS WORK OF SENDERO LUMINOSO OR MRTA. TERRORIST OBJECTIVE, ACCORDING TO SEVERAL PERUVIAN ADMIRALS WITH WHOM WE HAVE SPOKEN ABOUT CASE, WOULD BE TO AVENGE AYALA AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS FOR WHOSE DEATH ARTAZA WAS ALLEGEDLY RESPONSIBLE. SITUATION AS WE SEE IT, HOWEVER, IS NOT SO CLEAR. WHILE TERRORIST ACTION CANNOT BE RULED OUT, IT ALSO SEEMS REASONABLE TO SPECULATE THAT KIDNAPPING WAS A "MISE EN SCENE" TO REMOVE ARTAZA FROM SCENE AND PREVENT CIVIL COURT TRIAL, WHICH NAVY STRONGLY OPPOSES, FROM GOING FORWARD.
- 4. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH DAO. JORDAN



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