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RUWSMXI/AMC INTEL CEN SCOTT AFB IL//IN//
RUCQVAB/USCINCSOC INTEL OPS CEN MACDILL AFB FL
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BODY

TAGS: PHUM, PGOV, PE
SUBJECT: MILITARY COURT ASKS HERMOZA AND
- MONTESINOS TO TESTIFY ON LA CANTUTA

1. (U) SUMMARY: BOTH JOINT FORCES COMMAND CHIEF
GEN. HERMOZA AND PRESIDENTIAL INTELLIGENCE
ADVISER MONTESINOS HAVE BEEN SUMMONED TO TESTIFY
BEFORE THE MILITARY SUPREME COURT ON THE LA
CANTUTA CASE. HERMOZA TOLD THE PRESS HE WOULD
GIVE HIS TESTIMONY, AND THAT HE WOULD NO LONGER

Dept. of State, RPS/IPS, Margaret P. Grafeld, Dir.
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APPEAR BEFORE THE CONGRESS UNLESS TOLD TO DO SO BY THE MILITARY COURT. HE CALLED RECENTLY-DEPARTED GEN. ROBLES "A LIAR." THE MILITARY INVESTIGATION IS SEEKING A HIGHER PROFILE. END SUMMARY.

HERMOZA WILL TESTIFY IN MILITARY COURT, NOT CCD

2. (U) FOLLOWING THE REQUEST BY THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF MILITARY JUSTICE (CSJM) MAY 19, THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARMED FORCES JOINT COMMAND/ARMY COMMANDER GEN. NICOLAS HERMOZA DECLARED HE WOULD GIVE HIS TESTIMONY WITHOUT DELAY. THE SUMMONS INDICATES THAT HERMOZA CAN DECIDE THE TIME AND PLACE FOR HIS TESTIMONY. SPEAKING TO THE MEDIA MAY 20, HERMOZA DECLARED THAT HE WOULD NOT CONTRIBUTE ANY MORE TO THE INVESTIGATION BY THE SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CONSTITUENT CONGRESS (CCD) BECAUSE THE CASE HAD BEEN OPENED IN THE MILITARY JUSTICE SYSTEM. HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD GIVE FURTHER TESTIMONY IN THE CCD IF THE CSJM SO ORDERED. "IN THE MEANTIME, I CANNOT DO IT. I ABIDE BY WHATEVER THE MILITARY JUSTICE SYSTEM DECIDES."

HERMOZA CALLS ROBLES "A LIAR"

3. (U) WHEN REPORTERS ASKED HIM ABOUT THE POSSIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INVESTIGATION BY THE SELF-EXILED GEN. RODOLFO ROBLES, HERMOZA REPLIED THAT ROBLES COULD NOT OFFER ANY REAL INFORMATION ON THE CASE. HE CALLED ROBLES "AN OUT AND OUT LIAR. HE IS GOING TO KEEP OPENING HIS MOUTH AND KEEP USING HIS UNIFORM WHEN HE SHOULD NOT. THIS LATTER PRACTICE IS A CRIME.... ROBLES HAS LOST ALL CREDIBILITY."

CSJM SUMMONS MONTESINOS

4. (U) THE CSJM ISSUED ANOTHER SUBPOENA MAY 20, THIS TIME IN THE NAME OF "VLADIMIRO MONTESINOS, EMPLOYEE OF THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE." ONE NEWSPAPER CITED UNIDENTIFIED OPPOSITION CCD MEMBERS AS DECRYING THE SUMMONSES OF HERMOZA AND MONTESINOS, BECAUSE AFTER GIVING THEIR TESTIMONY IN CLOSED SESSIONS OF THE CSJM, THEY WILL THEN HAVE AN EXCUSE NOT TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE CONGRESS.

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MILITARY INVESTIGATORS INSPECT LA CANTUTA

5. (U) WITH THE CSJM PROVIDING A BUS TO TRANSPORT JOURNALISTS, THE HEADS OF THE MILITARY INVESTIGATION, ARMY BRIG. GEN. MARCO ANTONIO RODRIGUEZ HUERTA (A CSJM JUDGE) AND ARMY COL. RAUL TALLEDO VALDIVIEZO (A CSJM PROSECUTOR), MADE A VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE ENRIQUE GUZMAN Y VALLE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS (AKA, "LA CANTUTA") OUTSIDE LIMA. RODRIGUEZ AND TALLEDO MET WITH THE UNIVERSITYS RECTOR AND EXAMINED THE RESIDENCES OF THE STUDENTS AND THE PROFESSOR WHO WERE ABDUCTED IN JULY 1992. THEY ALSO SPOKE TO SEVERAL STUDENTS, SOME OF WHOM ALLEGED THAT THEY HAD SEEN THEIR CLASSMATES TAKEN AWAY BY "UNIFORMED MEN" OR MEN WEARING BALACLAVAS.

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RELATIVES OF TWO OF THE DISAPPEARED SPOKE BRIEFLY WITH THE INVESTIGATORS, WHO INVITED THEM TO TESTIFY AT THE CSJM. THEY ALSO NOTED THAT BOTH ENTRANCES TO THE UNIVERSITY WERE GUARDED BY POLICE AND MILITARY PERSONNEL.

ANONYMOUS CALLER IDENTIFIES DUMP SITE OF BODIES

6. (U) JOURNALISTS DESCENDED ON THE COAST OF THE VENTANILLA SECTION OF NORTHERN LIMA AFTER THEY RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALLS FROM A MAN CALLING HIMSELF ONLY "EL CHALANERO" ("THE MAN OF THE FISHING BOAT") AND IDENTIFYING THAT AREA AS WHERE THE BODIES OF THE LA CANTUTA VICTIMS WERE DUMPED INTO THE SEA. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CCD'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE, ROGER CACERES, ADVISED THE MEDIA THAT HE HAD RECEIVED THE SAME ANONYMOUS CALL. THE CALLER CLAIMED HE HAD WITNESSED HOODED MEN DUMPING WEIGHTED BODY BAGS INTO THE WATER THE NIGHT FOLLOWING THE ABDUCTIONS. HE CLAIMED ONE OF THE BAGS OPENED BY ACCIDENT AND HE SAW THE CADAVER OF A WOMAN. ON REVIEWING THE SITE, JOURNALISTS FOUND NO SIGN OF ANY BODIES; HOWEVER, SHORTLY AFTER THEY ARRIVED, TWO ARMY HELICOPTERS BEGAN BUZZING OVERHEAD AND A NAVY SHIP MOVED IN CLOSE TO THE SITE.

7. (C) COMMENT: THE CSJM IS MAKING A POINT OF ISSUING ITS SUMMONS AND INVITING JOURNALISTS TO VIEW SOME OF ITS OPERATIONS THROUGH ITS PUBLIC

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RELATIONS OFFICE. THIS MAY BE IN PART BECAUSE THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION HAS A DELEGATION IN PERU. CCD MEMBERS' CRITICISMS THAT HERMOZA AND MONTESINOS WILL USE THE FACT THAT THEY WILL HAVE TESTIFIED IN THE CSJM TO AVOID APPEARING BEFORE THE CCD ARE PROBABLY ON TRACK. THE GOP IS CERTAINLY TRYING TO GIVE THE MILITARY INVESTIGATION THE APPEARANCE OF A SERIOUS ATTEMPT TO CARRY OUT JUSTICE. THE MILITARY COURT, HOWEVER, IS COMPOSED OF ACTIVE-DUTY FLAG-RANK OFFICERS, WHOSE ARMY MEMBERS ARE SUBORDINATE TO GEN. HERMOZA, WHO IS ALSO AMONG THE ACCUSED.

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