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CLASSIFIED BY AMBASSADOR JOHN HAMILTON FOR REASONS 1.5 (B) AND (D).

1. (S) SUMMARY: OPPOSITION AND CIVIL SOCIETY REPS MET OAS  
 SECRETARY LATORRE SEPTEMBER 19 TO EXPLORE RESUMING AND WIDENING  
 THE OAS DIALOGUE. CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE OAS PETER BOEHME

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AND OAS SYG GAVIRIA AID FERNANDO ARE ARRIVING IN LIMA SEPTEMBER 20 TO ASSIST. PERU POSSIBLE LEADER ALEJANDRO TOLEDO HELD A RALLY SEPTEMBER 18 THAT DREW THOUSANDS OF SUPPORTERS. HE PROPOSED THE FORMATION OF AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT THAT WOULD CONVOKE ELECTIONS IN 120 DAYS. THE CABINET MET TO DISCUSS A TIMELINE FOR MEASURES NEEDED TO PERMIT ELECTIONS. DE FACTO INTELLIGENCE CHIEF VLADIMIRO MONTESINOS IS THE SIN HEADQUARTERS COMPOUND AT THE DISPOSITION OF JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES, ACCORDING TO A HIGH RANKING GOP OFFICIAL. END SUMMARY

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OAS TALKS, WIDENING AGENDA  
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2. (C) OAS PERMANENT MISSION SECRETARY EDUARDO LATORRE TOLD THE PRESS SEPTEMBER 19 THAT THE OAS MANDATE WAS FLEXIBLE ENOUGH TO INCLUDE DISCUSSION OF NEW ELECTIONS. HE ANNOUNCED CIVIL SOCIETY AND OPPOSITION LEADERS HAD AGREED TO MEET HIM AT 1600 LOCAL TO CONSIDER RESUMING TALKS WITH THE GOP AND BROADENING THE AGENDA TO

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ADDRESS ELECTORAL AND OTHER SUBJECTS. THE AMBASSADOR HEARD FROM CANADIAN AMBASSADOR GRAHAM CLARK THAT OAS OFFICIALS PETER BOEHME AND FERNANDO JARAMILLO ARE ARRIVING IN LIMA SEPTEMBER 20 TO HELP WITH THE TALKS. ACCORDING TO NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COORDINADORA LEGAL EXPERT MIGUEL HUERTA, CIVIL SOCIETY/OPPOSITION PARTICIPANTS STILL CONDITIONED THEIR PARTICIPATION ON THE DETENTION OF DE FACTO INTELLIGENCE CHIEF VLADIMIRO MONTESINOS, BUT THEY WERE WILLING TO EXPLORE RESUMING TALKS TO PROBE THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION ON MONTESINOS AND ELECTORAL ISSUES. SOMOS PERU LEGISLATOR ANEL TOWNSEND TOLD DCM AT A SEPTEMBER 19 BREAKFAST THAT THE OPPOSITION'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE OAS DIALOGUE HAD OCCURRED UNDER DIFFERENT CONDITIONS. SHE OPINED, HOWEVER, THAT NOT MUCH WOULD BE POSSIBLE UNTIL MONTESINOS HAD BEEN DETAINED. LIMA ARCHBISHOP JUAN LUIS CIPRIANI PROPOSED PRIVATELY TO THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE OAS DIALOGUE BE STRENGTHENED BY A PERUVIAN GROUP OF 3-5 "WISE MEN" TO HELP FURTHER AGREEMENT ON A RECONFIGURED AGENDA (SEPTTEL).

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MONTESINOS  
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3. (S) DE FACTO INTELLIGENCE CHIEF VLADIMIRO MONTESINOS IS AT THE SIN HEADQUARTERS COMPOUND AT THE DISPOSITION OF JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES, ACCORDING TO A HIGH RANKING GOP OFFICIAL. THERE ARE

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CONFLICTING REPORTS ABOUT WHERE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST HIM STAND. THE PRESS REPORTED THAT MONTESINOS WAS SCHEDULED TO GIVE HIS STATEMENT TO AN AD HOC PROSECUTOR INVESTIGATING ALLEGATIONS OF BRIBERY OF A LEGISLATOR DURING THE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 18 AND 19. AS OF 1800 LOCAL, WE HAD NO CONFIRMATION THAT EITHER OF THESE MEETINGS HAD TAKEN PLACE, AND WHETHER THE AD HOC PROSECUTOR

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WOULD RECOMMEND A JUDICIAL ORDER TO ARREST MONTESINOS. AT 1645, OPPOSITION LEGISLATORS ARRIVED AT THE PUBLIC MINISTRY SEEKING INFORMATION FROM NATIONAL PROSECUTOR NELIDA BLANCA COLAN.

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4. (C) FM FERNANDO DE TRAZEGNIES AND PM FEDERICO SALAS TOLD THE AMBASSADOR CATEGORICALLY THAT THERE IS NO PROBLEM OF INSUBORDINATION IN THE MILITARY. THAT SAID, THERE APPEARS TO BE CONTINUING MANEUVERING. ACCORDING TO VARIOUS EMBASSY CONTACTS, THERE WERE RUMORS THE MILITARY WAS DIVIDED OVER MONTESINOS. MORAL INDEPENDENCE FRONT LEADER FERNANDO OLIVERA TOLD THE PRESS MILITARY OFFICIALS WERE THREATENING A MILITARY COUP IF HE RELEASED OTHER INCRIMINATING VIDEOS. A SOURCE IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS OMBUDSMAN'S OFFICE HAD HEARD THAT SOME HIGH LEVEL OFFICERS WERE TRYING TO SHIELD MONTESINOS FROM PROSECUTION, WHILE OTHERS FAVORED HANDING HIM OVER TO A CIVILIAN AUTHORITY. THIS SOURCE SAID MEDIA REPORTS OF INTELLIGENCE OFFICIALS LEAVING THE COUNTRY WERE FUELING SPECULATION THAT MONTESINOS MIGHT FOLLOW SUIT. AN ADVISOR TO PM SALAS TOLD US HE HAD HEARD FROM RELIABLE SOURCES THAT FUJIMORI WAS NEGOTIATING WITH THE MILITARY OVER MONTESINOS'S FATE. AN OPPOSITION LEGISLATOR TOLD US SHE HAD HEARD THIS

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INFORMATION AS WELL. SEVERAL SOURCES REPORTED MONTESINOS WAS  
BEING DISCUSSED BY A CABINET MEETING AT THE PALACE THAT HAD NOT  
ENDED AS OF 1800 LOCAL. [REDACTED]  
CONTINUE TO STRESS THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE MILITARY ARE BACKING  
FUJIMORI'S ANNOUNCEMENT, AS THE AMBASSADOR WAS TOLD EARLIER BY  
GOP OFFICIALS (SEPTTEL/NOTAL).

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TOLEDO ON THE STUMP  
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5. (SBU) ALEJANDRO TOLEDO OPENED HIS FIRST PRE-ELECTION RALLY  
WITH A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE SIX SECURITY GUARDS KILLED  
DURING THE JULY 28 DEMONSTRATIONS. TOLEDO WAS FLANKED BY PERU  
POSIBLE SUPPORTERS; TWO APRA LEGISLATORS WERE THE ONLY MEMBERS  
FROM OTHER OPPOSITION PARTIES ON THE STAGE. HE TOLD A HIGH-  
ENERGY CROWD OF AN ESTIMATED 15-20,000 THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY  
TO BRING TO JUSTICE DE FACTO INTELLIGENCE CHIEF MONTESINOS AND  
OTHERS GUILTY OF CORRUPTION AND THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

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TOLEDO SAID ELECTIONS SHOULD OCCUR WITHIN 120 DAYS UNDER AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT HEADED BY A CONSENSUS CANDIDATE. TOLEDO ANNOUNCED HE WOULD BE HOLDING MORE RALLIES IN LIMA AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN THE COMING WEEKS.

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 POLL SHOWS FUJIMORI'S DECISION ENJOYS POPULAR SUPPORT  
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6. (U) A LIMA-BASED OPINION SURVEY CONDUCTED SEPTEMBER 18 BY REPUTABLE POLLING FIRM APOYO SHOWS:

-- 85 PERCENT BELIEVE MONTESINOS SHOULD BE PROSECUTED.

-- 61 PERCENT APPROVAL OF PRESIDENT FUJIMORI'S DECISION TO DEACTIVATE THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE; 75 PERCENT APPROVAL OF THE CALL FOR NEW ELECTIONS; 64 PERCENT SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION NOT TO PARTICIPATE.

-- 39 PERCENT BELIEVE ELECTIONS SHOULD OCCUR IN THREE MONTHS, 34 PERCENT IN SIX MONTHS, AND 21 PERCENT IN A YEAR.

-- 81 PERCENT BELIEVE IT NECESSARY TO FORM A NEW NATIONAL ELECTIONS BOARD (JNE) AND NATIONAL ELECTORAL PROCESSES OFFICE (ONPE) BEFORE NEW ELECTIONS.

-- 68 PERCENT BELIEVE EACH PARTY SHOULD PRESENT A SEPARATE CANDIDATE, WHILE 28 PERCENT BELIEVE THE NEXT GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE FORMED BY A NATIONAL CONSENSUS CANDIDATE.

-- OF POSSIBLE PERU 2000 CANDIDATES, 41 PERCENT FAVOR CURRENT FIRST VICE PRESIDENT FRANCISCO TUDELA (41 PERCENT); WOMEN AND FAMILY MINISTER LUISA CUCULIZA (18 PERCENT) AND MARTA CHAVEZ (4 PERCENT). 24 PERCENT DID NOT SPECIFY A CANDIDATE.

-- AMONG OPPOSITION CANDIDATES, 23 PERCENT LIST FIM'S FERNANDO OLIVERA, TOLEDO 22 PERCENT, FORMER NATIONAL SOLIDARITY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE LUIS CASTANEDA (15 PERCENT), AND SOMOS PERU LEADER AND LIMA MAYOR ALBERTO ANDRADE (13 PERCENT. 23

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 PERCENT DID NOT SPECIFY.

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