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 JAGS: PTER, PGOV, ASEC, PE
 SUBJECT: THE KITASONO ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT:
 AFTERMATH AND POTENTIAL CONSEQUENCES
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2. ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF APRA PARTY OFFICIAL ALBERTO KITASONO BY SENDERO LUMINOSO ON MAY 26 (REFTEL) COULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT REPERCUSSIONS. BOTH SENDERO AND MRTA HAVE, INDEED, BEEN TARGETTING APRA INSTALLATIONS AND OFFICIALS FOR SOME TIME. ATTACK ON KITASANO DID NOT REPRESENT A CHANGE IN TERRORIST STRATEGY. WHAT DID HAPPEN, THOUGH, WAS THAT THIS PARTICULAR ATTACK SUCCEEDED IN RIVETING PARTY'S ATTENTION ON PROBLEM. EVERY SENIOR GOVERNMENT AND APRA OFFICIAL NOW KNOWS HE/SHE COULD BE A TERRORIST TARGET.
 3. IN PRACTICAL TERMS, THIS MEANS THAT PRESSURES ARE BUILDING ON PRESIDENT GARCIA TO TAKE MORE

AGGRESSIVE ACTION. AT FUNERAL OF KITASONO'S COMPANIONS MAY 28, SOME APRA ATTENDEES WERE SHOUTING IN UNISON "AN EYE FOR AN EYE, A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH." THERE HAS ALREADY BEEN TALK OF "UNLEASHING" THE APRA YOUTH

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MOVEMENT TO DEAL WITH COMMUNIST YOUTH, PRESUMABLY WHERE THEY ARE CONCENTRATED ON CERTAIN UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES. TOP GOP LEADERS, HOWEVER, HAVE COUNSELED PATIENCE AND DO NOT APPEAR PREPARED FOR NOW TO PERMIT APRA-INITIATED SECTARIAN FIGHTING IN STREETS. BUT IMPLICIT THREAT HAS BEEN ISSUED. PERUVIANS WILL REMEMBER FROM EARLIER PERIOD APRA'S CAPABILITY FOR COERCIVE VIOLENCE. ON ANOTHER LEVEL, WE UNDERSTAND THAT PARTY IS SPEEDING UP EFFORT TO BUILD ITS OWN INTELLIGENCE NETWORK IN LIMA AND ELSEWHERE. A PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE IS TO TAP INFORMATION RELATEJ TO TERRORISTS AVAILABLE TO APRA MEMBERS OR SYMPAT(HZERS WHO ARE AFRAID TO BECOME INVOLVED WITH SECURITY FORCES. SUCH A MECHANISM MAY WELL BE NECESSARY TO DEAL WITH TERRORIST PHENOMENON. BUT, BY ITS VERY NATURE, IT REPRESENTS LONG TERM TREAT TO FREOM.

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4. BY KILLING AN ADMIRAL IN APRIL AND ATTACKING A TOP APRA OFFICIAL NOW, TERRORISTS HAVE RATCHETED UP THE POLITICAL STAKES. THERE IS NOW A GREATER CHANCE THAT FURTHER SELECTIVE ASSASSINATIONS OF KEY MILITARY, GOVERNMENT OR PARTY LEADERS WILL LEAD TO HARSH COUNTERMEASURES OF ONE KIND OR ANOTHER.

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