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SUBJECT: MORE ON SENDERO ATTACK ON SOVIET FISHERMEN  
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- 1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. SUMMARY. THE ATTACK AGAINST THE BUS OF SOVIET FISHERMEN JULY 5 IN LIMA WAS CARRIED OUT BY A PAIR OF TEENAGED PEDESTRIANS TOSSING A BAG UNDER THE  
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BUS AND HURRIEDLY WALKING AWAY BEFORE THE BLAST

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OCCURRED. CASUALTIES ARE 33 INJURED (5 SERIOUSLY),  
NONE DEAD. THERE WAS EXTENSIVE PROPERTY DAMAGE AS  
WELL. NO ORGANIZATION HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR THE ATTACK, BUT MINISTER OF INTERIOR AGUSTIN  
MANTILLA HAS PUBLICLY BLAMED SENDERO LUMINOSO.  
THIS IS SENDERO'S FIRST ATTACK AGAINST SOVIET  
TARGETS SINCE THREE 1986 BOMBINGS. END SUMMARY.

3. ACTING RSO AND POLOFF MET JULY 7 WITH EDEX  
(EXPLOSIVES DEACTIVATION) MAJOR MIGUEL ANGEL CARPIO,  
CHIEF INVESTIGATOR OF THE JULY 5 BOMBING OF A  
BUS FULL OF SOVIET FISHERMEN AND THEIR WIVES IN  
LIMA'S SAN MIGUEL DISTRICT NEAR THE PORT OF  
CALLAO. CARPIO SAID THE ATTACK OCCURRED AS THREE  
SOVIET-RENTED TOUR BUSES WAITED FOR STRAGGLERS  
TO RETURN FROM A THIRD FLOOR "BAZAAR" ON JIRON  
TUCUMAN, A QUIET, NARROW SIDESTREET. ACCORDING  
TO POLICE AND PRESS REPORTS, THE BAZAAR HAS A  
CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSY  
TO SELL THE FISHERMEN CLOTHES, FOOD AND TOURIST  
ITEMS DURING THEIR SHORELEAVE. THE BUSES HAD BEEN  
GOING THERE ONCE A MONTH FOR AT LEAST A YEAR.  
SOVIET SECURITY PERSONNEL PRESENT HAD BEEN MORE  
INTERESTED IN PREVENTING ANY FISHERMEN FROM  
WANDERING AWAY FROM THE GROUP THAN IN KEEPING  
AN EYE OUT FOR TERRORISTS. THEY HAD TAKEN TO  
GOING TO THE SAME SHOPS IN THE SAME BUSES, THE SAME  
TIME EACH SHORELEAVE.

4. EYEWITNESSES TELL THE POLICE TWO TEENAGERS  
(ONE MALE, ONE FEMALE -- BOTH DRESSED IN SCHOOL  
UNIFORMS) WALKED ALONG THE SIDEWALK PAST THE  
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BUSES JUST A FEW MINUTES BEFORE 10 AM. THE PAIR  
SPLIT UP AS ONE (BELIEVED TO BE THE MALE) WALKED  
AROUND THE LARGEST BUS AND APPARENTLY TOSSED THE  
CHARGE UNDER IT. THE TWO REUNITED AND CONTINUED  
HURRIEDLY TO THE CORNER, WHERE THEY ENTERED A  
WAITING CAR DRIVEN BY A YOUNG MALE. POLICE SAY  
THE CAR WAS FOUND ABANDONED THREE OR FOUR BLOCKS  
AWAY, WHERE THE ATTACKERS SWITCHED TO ANOTHER CAR.

5. THE CHARGE EXPLODED AN ESTIMATED TEN SECONDS

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AFTER PLACEMENT UNDER THE CENTER OF THE BUS. POLICE HAVE TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED IT AS HAVING CONTAINED THREE TO FOUR STICKS OF DYNAMITE. AT THE TIME OF DETONATION THERE WERE AN ESTIMATED 50 SOVIET CITIZENS ABOARD, INCLUDING AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF WIVES WHO HAD FLOWN TO PERU TO BE WITH THEIR FISHERMEN HUSBANDS DURING SHORELEAVE FROM THEIR FOUR-YEAR TOURS OF SEA DUTY. SOME WIVES ARE AMONG THE 33 SOVIETS INJURED. THE ONLY KNOWN PERUVIAN INJURIES WERE TWO OF THE BUS DRIVERS WHO HAD THEIR EARDRUMS SHATTERED BY THE BLAST. THE BLAST DESTROYED A LARGE SECTION OF THE BUS' INTERIOR, BUT LUCKILY THE GAS TANK DID NOT EXPLODE. THE OTHER TWO BUSES AND A STOREFRONT SUSTAINED MODERATE DAMAGE.

6. INVESTIGATORS FROM SEVERAL POLICE BRANCHES ARE UNANIMOUS IN ATTRIBUTING THE INCIDENT TO SENDERO, CITING THE TARGETING, METHODS OF OPERATION AND THE TYPE OF CHARGE EMPLOYED. IN COMMENTS TO THE PRESS LATER JULY 5, MINISTER OF INTERIOR AGUSTIN MANTILLA BLAMED SENDERO FOR THE ATTACK. IF ACCURATE, THIS IS THE FIRST SENDERO ACTION AGAINST SOVIET INTERESTS IN PERU SINCE

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1986. (IN THAT YEAR THREE ANTI-SOVIET BOMBINGS  
WERE ATTRIBUTED TO SENDERO: THE SOVIET-PERUVIAN  
CULTURAL CENTER, A NIGHTSPOT FOR SOVIETS AND A  
BOTCHED ATTEMPT AGAINST THE SOVIET EMBASSY).  
THE MADIST SENDERO HAS NEVER MADE A SECRET OF  
ITS CONTEMPT FOR THE "REVISIONIST" AND "SOCIAL  
IMPERIALIST" POLICIES OF THE SOVIET REGIME.

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7. COMMENT: THE SOVIETS APPARENTLY FELL VICTIM

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TO ESTABLISHED ROUTINES WHEN VISITING LIMA/CALLAO.  
THE ATTACK IS REMINISCENT OF THE JUNE 3 BUS BOMBING  
OF THE CEREMONIAL PRESIDENTIAL ESCORT BATTALION  
(REF B). IN BOTH CASES, HIGHLY VISIBLE BUSES WERE  
ATTACKED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT WITH DYNAMITE CHARGES  
TOSSED UNDER THE VEHICLES. BOTH TARGET ORGANIZA-  
TIONS HAD BECOME SLACK IN THEIR SECURITY MEASURES,  
NOT EVEN VARYING ROUTES OR TIMES OF TRAVEL. BOTH  
ATTACKS HAVE BEEN ATTRIBUTED TO SENDERO. END COMMENT.

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