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SUBJECT: SENDERO KILLS TWO MAYORS

1. (U) SUMMARY. SENDERO LUMINOSO KILLED TWO MAYORS ON SEPTEMBER 19: THE MAYOR OF AYACUCHO CITY AND A MAYOR IN A REMOTE JUNIN DEPARTMENT VILLAGE. THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENTS OF AYACUCHO AND HUANCVELICA HAVE BEEN PLACED UNDER A NIGHTTIME CURFEW. DESPITE A RECENT DECREASE IN TERRORIST ACTIVITY, SL CONTINUES TO TARGET ELECTED AND CAMPAIGNING MUNICIPAL
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2. (U) ON SEPTEMBER 19 SUSPECTED SENDERO LUMINOSO TERRORISTS ASSASSINATED TWO STANDING MAYORS. FERMIN AZPARRENT, MAYOR OF AYACUCHO CITY AND ABRAHAM FERNANDEZ, MAYOR OF SAN LUIS DE SHUARO DISTRICT IN THE NORTH OF JUNIN DEPARTMENT, WERE SHOT TO DEATH IN TWO SEPARATE INCIDENTS. THE AZPARRENT KILLING FRONT-PAGED ALL LIMA DAILIES SEPTEMBER 20.

3. (U) THE POPULAR AZPARRENT (UNITED LEFT) HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN THE OBJECT OF DEATH THREATS AND FAILED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS. HIS AYACUCHO HOME WAS BOMBED AT LEAST FOUR TIMES IN 1989. SOME OF THE THREATS AND ATTEMPTS WERE REPORTEDLY THE WORK OF THE RODRIGO FRANCO COMMAND. HE AND HIS FAMILY LEFT AYACUCHO FOR A TIME, BUT RETURNED TO THE CITY AFTER THE GOVERNMENT PROMISED TO PROVIDE PROTECTION. THERE WERE NO GUARDS PRESENT AT THE TIME OF THE KILLING.

4. (U) THREE UNMASKED MEN WALKED INTO HIS HOME/BUSINESS AT 2:30 IN THE AFTERNOON. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS THEY FIRED THREE SHOTS AT CLOSE RANGE INTO HIS HEAD. FOLLOWING THE SHOOTING THE THREE KILLERS WALKED OUT INTO THE STREET AND DISAPPEARED. PRESS ACCOUNTS ARE CONTRADICTORY AS TO WHETHER HIS 14 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER WITNESSED THE KILLING OR, HEARING THE SHOTS, FOUND HER DYING FATHER.

5. (C) THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT OF AYACUCHO AND THE NEIGHBORING DEPARTMENT OF HUANCVELICA HAVE BEEN PLACED UNDER A 1800 HOURS TO 0600 HOURS CURFEW BY THE REGIONAL MILITARY COMMAND. THE CURFEW SEEMS CURIOUS
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IN VIEW OF THE DAYLIGHT HOUR OF THE KILLING AND THE FACT THAT OVERALL TERRORIST VIOLENCE IN THE CENTRAL SIERRA HAS DECREASED SOMEWHAT IN THE PAST 45 DAYS.

6. (U) WE HAVE FEWER DETAILS ON THE KILLING OF FERNANDEZ. (##) FROM THEIR HOMES AND KILLED IN FRONT OF ASSEMBLED VILLAGERS IN THE VILLAGE SQUARE. THE KILLINGS OCCURRED AT NIGHT.

7. (C) DESPITE A HISTORY OF SL KILLINGS OF ELECTED

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OFFICIALS SINCE 1981, WE EMPHASIZE AGAIN THAT THE PATTERN OF RECENT SL ACTIVITY IS CLEARLY DESIGNED TO THREATEN AND INTIMIDATE POTENTIAL CANDIDATES FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS. THE LOWER LEVEL OF OVERALL TERRORIST VIOLENCE WHICH WE REPORTED IN AUGUST (LIMA 13772) HAS CONTINUED DURING THE FIRST 15 DAYS OF SEPTEMBER. NEVERTHELESS, THE MOST DARING SL ATTEMPTS DURING THE PAST MONTH AND A HALF HAVE BEEN AGAINST MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOLDERS AND CANDIDATES.

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