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SUBJECT: MASSACRE OF 16 IN LIMA

1. [REDACTED] SUMMARY: UNIDENTIFIED GUNMEN KILLED AT
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LEAST 16 PERSONS (INCLUDING TWO MINORS) AND
WOUNDED 3 OTHERS IN DOWNTOWN LIMA ON NOVEMBER
3. SPECULATION FROM OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE
SOURCES SUGGESTS A WIDE VARIETY OF POSSIBLE
PERPETRATORS -- FROM PARAMILITARY DEATH SQUADS
TO SENDERO LUMINOSO. HOWEVER, THE REPORTED USE
OF AUTOMATIC SILENCED WEAPONS MAY SINGLE OUT
RIGHT-WING DEATH SQUADS AS BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR
THE MASSACRE. DETAILS AND HARD FACTS ARE AS YET
TOO SKETCHY TO GIVE US A CLEAR IDEA AS TO WHO

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THE VICTIMS WERE, MUCH LESS WHO WAS REPOSIBLE.
END SUMMARY.

2. (U) AT LEAST SEVEN HOODED ASSAILANTS, REPORTEDLY LED BY A WOMAN AND USING SILENCED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS KILLED 16 PERSONS LATE ON NOVEMBER 3 IN BARRIO ALTO, ONLY BLOCKS FROM THE PERUVIAN CONGRESS IN DOWNTOWN LIMA. THE VICTIMS, REPORTEDLY ATTENDING A PARTY, WERE LARGELY FROM AYACUCHO AND WORKED FOR AN ICE-CREAM COMPANY. AT LEAST TWO OF THOSE KILLED WERE MINORS. THREE PERSONS SURVIVED THE ATTACK AND ARE IN HOSPITAL.

SIXTEEN DEAD AND THREE SURVIVORS

3. [REDACTED] THE MOST DETAILED NON-MEDIA REPORT EMBASSY OBTAINED CAME FROM THE HUMAN RIGHTS "COORDINADORA," WHO HAD SPOKEN WITH THE CORONER,
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THE FISCAL (PROSECUTOR) FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, AND SOME OF THE SURVIVORS. THE COORDINADORA CONFIRMED THAT 15 PERSONS WERE KILLED AT THE SCENE OF THE MASSACRE (SIX OF WHOM WERE AS YET UNIDENTIFIED), AND ONE PERSON DIED LATER. FOUR SURVIVORS REMAINED IN HOSPITAL. SURPRISINGLY, POLICE HAD NOT PLACED ANY PROTECTION ON THE SURVIVORS. HOWEVER, THE POLICE HAD SEALED OFF THE SCENE OF THE ATTACK SO TIGHTLY THAT IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR EVEN THE HUMAN RIGHTS PROSECUTOR TO GAIN ACCESS. BOTH THE HOMICIDE DIVISION AND THE COUNTER-TERRORISM POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE MURDERS.

WEAPONS WITH SILENCERS USED

4. [REDACTED] THE CORONER TOLD THE COORDINADORA UNOFFICIALLY THAT SILENCED 'LONG ARMS' WERE USED. NEWSPAPER REPORTS STATED THAT PERSONS

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ATTENDING A DIFFERENT PARTY ONE FLIGHT UP FROM THE MASSACRE DID NOT HEAR ANY SHOTS FIRED AND CONFIRMED THAT 9 MM CARTRIDGES WERE FOUND AT THE SITE.

SPECULATION ABOUNDS IN OTHER THEORIES

5. [REDACTED] CURRENT THEORIES ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED ARE

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ALL OVER THE MAP:

THE BERNALES SENATE COMMISSION ON VIOLENCE: THE ASSAILANTS WERE DEFINITELY SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) AND THE VICTIMS CONNECTED TO RONDAS CAMPESINAS.

A MINISTRY OF INTERIOR LIAISON OFFICER: ADVANCED THE PERSONAL THEORY THAT THE ASSAILANTS WERE SL AND THE VICTIMS MRTA.

AN AID FSN WITH GOOD ACCESS: THE ASSAILANTS WERE A POLICE-LINKED RIGHT-WING DEATH SQUAD AND THE VICTIMS HAD LINKS TO SL OR THE COMMUNIST SINDICATO UNICO DE TRABAJADORES DE EDUCACION DE

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PERU (SUTEP.) TWO OF THE VICTIMS WERE SUTEP
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MEMBERS.

THE ANTI-TERRORISM POLICE (DIRCOTE): SOME REPORTS INDICATE DIRCOTE WAS INITIALLY RELUCTANT TO INVESTIGATE THE CRIME AS THE METHODS USED DID NOT MATCH PREVIOUS TERRORIST ACTIONS. FOR EXAMPLE: THE ATTACKERS KILLED EVERYONE AT THE PARTY AND DID NOT HIT A SPECIFIC TARGET, THE ATTACK FROM THEIR POINT OF VIEW WAS NOT CAREFULLY PLANNED, ETC.

POLICE HOMICIDE: RSO REPORTS HOMICIDE IS RELUCTANT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION UNTIL TOMORROW, AFTER THEY CAN LOOK INTO THE MATTER FURTHER.

COMMENT

6. [REDACTED] THIS TYPE OF MASSACRE HAS NOT BEEN SEEN PREVIOUSLY IN LIMA. AS YET THERE IS NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION TO ALLOW US TO PRECISELY INDICATE WHO THE VICTIMS WERE, MUCH LESS WHO ATTACKED

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