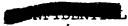
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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/3/88 (CLARE, DANIEL H.) OR-P

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SUBJECT: (U) AYACUCHO DEVELOPMENTS

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CONFLICTING REPORTS ON WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED IN THE AYACUCHO JAILBREAK AND THE EXTENT OF GOP REACTION (REFTEL) ARE CONTINUING TO CIRCULATE HERE. PRESIDENT BELAUNDE'S WIFE TOLD AID MISSION DIRECTOR MIDDAY MARCH 3 THAT AT ONE POINT IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS, POLICE ON THE SCENE WERE CONVINCED THAT THE SITUATION WAS

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NOT CONTROLLABLE. THE PRESIDENT THEREUPON

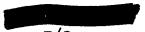
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RELUCTANTLY DECIDED TO CALL IN THE MILITARY IF THE SITUATION DID NOT IMPROVE SOON.
MRS. BELAUNDE SAID ONE HOUR LATER, HOWEVER,
REPORTS FROM THE SCENE INDICATED THAT THE SITUATION
WAS IN FACT NOT THAT BAD, AND THE PRESIDENT
DID NOT CALL IN THE ARMY.

2. (U) INTERIOR MINISTER GAGLIARDI REPORTED ON AYACUCHO DEVELOPMENTS ON NATIONAL TV MORING MARCH 3. HE SAID THAT 60 "GUERRILLAS" HAD SUCCEEDED IN FREEING SOME 230 PRISONERS, 3 POLICE AND 7 "GUERRILLAS" WERE REPORTEDLY KILLED IN THE FIGHTING. GAGLIARDI MADE NO MENTION OF ANY ROLE FOR THE MILITARY IN THE STEPPED-UP OPERATIONS. RADIO REPORTS LATER IN THE MORNING SIAD THAT THE AIR FORCE HAD AIRLIFTED 150 CIVIL GUARD, 30 REPUBLICAN GUARD, AND 30 PLAINCLOTHES POLICE (PIP) INTO THE AYACUCHO AREA.

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