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SUBJECT: COUP DETAINEES, WHO ARE THEY, WHERE
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1. (C) SUMMARY. THE COMMANDO CONJUNTO HAS ANNOUNCED THE RELEASE OF EIGHT POLITICAL DETAINEES. THIS FOLLOWS THE EARLIER RELEASE OF ALL 23 JOURNALISTS ORIGINALLY KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN DETAINED. THREE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS REMAIN UNDER HOUSE ARREST, BUT IT SEEMS POINTLESS NOW THAT A RUMP CONGRESS HAS NAMED CARLOS GARCIA GARCIA "PRESIDENT." WE BELIEVE FOUR APRISTAS AND SIX SENDERO LAWYERS FROM THE "ABOGADOS DEMOCRATICOS" REMAIN UNDER DETENTION.

ADDITIONALLY, TWO LEFTIST TEACHER'S UNION OFFICIALS ARE UNDER "HOUSE ARREST" AT UNION HEADQUARTERS. [REDACTED]

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THIS WOULD BE AN OPTIMUM TIME TO PRESS HARD FOR HUMAN RIGHTS GUARANTEES FOR THE REMAINING DETAINEES. END SUMMARY.
RELEASES TO DATE

2. (U) WITH THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE COMMANDO CONJUNTO HAS RELEASE 8 OF THE PERSONS DETAINED DURING OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COUP, THE GOVERNMENT HOPES TO CALM BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE REGARDING THE FATE OF THE REMAINING DETAINEES. IN A BRIEF EXCHANGE WITH REPORTERS ON APRIL 8, FOREIGN MINISTER BLACKER
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MILLER DENIED HAVING A LIST OF DETAINEES, AND ATTEMPTED TO DISMISS THE ISSUE WITH COMMENT THAT THE DETAINEES WOULD BE RELEASED "IN A FEW DAYS," AND THAT IN ANY EVENT, "THERE WERE NOT A LOT." BLACKER MILLER SUGGESTED THAT A LIST OF DETAINEES MIGHT BE AVAILABLE FROM THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR "WITHIN A FEW DAYS." THE PERUVIAN PRESS, EXTREMELY SENSITIZED TO THE WHOLE ISSUE OF DETENTIONS AND DISAPPEARED PERSONS, IS NOT ABOUT TO LET THE MATTER REST.

3. (U) THE EIGHT COMMANDO CONJUNTO SAYS IT HAS RELEASED ARE:

- JORGE DEL CASTILLO, APRA DEPUTY WHO DEFENDED ALAN GARCIA DURING CONGRESSIONAL CORRUPTION INVESTIGATIONS,
- ABEL SALINAS, APRA SENATOR, AND FORMER MINISTER UNDER ALAN GARCIA,
- JORGE LUIS MANTILLA, BROTHER OF AGUSTIN MANTILLA, ALSO CONNECTED WITH COMMANDO RODRIGO FRANCO,
- LUIS NEGREIROS CRIADO, APRISTA DEPUTY AND LABOR LEADER,
- CESAR BARRERA BAZAN, UNITED LEFT DEPUTY, AND FIRST VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

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- ALBERTO KITAZONO, APRISTA PARTY FUNCTIONARY,
DIRECTOR OF PARTY ORGANIZATION AND CLOSE
ASSOCIATE OF ALAN GARCIA,

- REMIGIO MORALES BERMUDEZ, FORMER MINISTER OF
AGRICULTURE UNDER ALAN GARCIA,

- MIRTHA LARRAURI, FORMER SECRETARY TO ALAN
GARCIA.

4. JOURNALISTS GUSTAVO GORRITI AND AT LEAST 23
OTHERS FROM RADIO RED AND ANTENNA UNO RADIO
STATIONS HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM DETENTION AFTER
INTENSE INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC PRESSURE.

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STILL IN DETENTION

5. (C) DRAWING FROM ALL AVAILABLE SOURCES,
MOSTLY PRESS AND SOME OF IT PROBABLY
SPECULATIVE, EMBASSY BELIEVES THE FOLLOWING
PERSONS REMAIN IN DETENTION:

- AGUSTIN MANTILLA, FORMER MINISTER OF
INTERIOR UNDER ALAN GARCIA, AND REPUTED HEAD OF
THE PARAMILITARY COMMANDO RODRIGO FRANCO,
- FERNANDO REYES ROCA, RETIRED PNP GENERAL AND
FORMER HEAD OF DIRCOTE UNDER ALAN GARCIA,
- EDGAR LUQUE FREYRE, APRA ACTIVIST WITH
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR APRA INTELLIGENCE AND TIES
TO THE COMMANDO RODRIGO FRANCO,
- JOSE BARSALLO BURGA, ALSO A FORMER MINISTER
OF INTERIOR UNDER ALAN GARCIA,
- OLMEDO AURIS MELGAR, LEADER OF THE LEFTIST
DOMINATED TEACHERS UNION, SUTEP.

6. (C) IN ADDITION, BLACKER MILLER ANNOUNCED
APRIL 7 THE GOP HAD ARRESTED SIX LAWYERS "FROM
DIFFERENT POLITICAL TENDENCIES." [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALL ARE THOUGHT TO BE SENDERO
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HOUSE LAWYERS FROM THE "ABOGADOS DEMOCRATICOS."
THE PRESS IDENTIFIED THEM AS JORGE CARTAGENA
VARGAS, MANUEL ASCENCIO MARTELL, RICARDO
ASTOQUILACA MEDRANO, VIOLETA ROQUE, JOSE
SALAZAR, AND CARLOS VILLANUEVA.

HOUSE ARRESTS: MAY COME TO AN END?

7. (C) IN ADDITION, SENATE PRESIDENT FELIPE
OSTERLING, CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES PRESIDENT BOBBY
RAMIREZ DEL VILLAR AND SECOND VICE PRESIDENT OF
THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES AURELIO LORET DE MOLA
REMAIN UNDER HOUSE ARREST. (APRISTA SENATOR AND
SECOND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE EUGENIO
CHANG NAVARRO IS DENYING REPORTS THAT HE WAS
EVER UNDER HOUSE ARREST.)

8. (C) WITH THE CONGRESS ALREADY HAVING VOTED
SECOND VICE PRESIDENT CARLOS GARCIA GARCIA AS
PRESIDENT, IT WOULD SEEM THAT RATIONALE FOR
HOLDING THESE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS
INCOMMUNICADO HAS BEEN OVERTAKEN BY EVENTS. [REDACTED] D1

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[REDACTED] THERE ARE
RUMORS, HOWEVER, THAT THEY MAY BE EXILED.

9. (U) TWO LEADERS OF SUTEP, THE TEACHER'S
UNION WERE REPORTED UNDER "HOUSE ARREST," AT
UNION HEADQUARTERS. TWO TWO, BOTH MEMBERS OF
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THE FAR LEFT UNIR ARE SOLEDAD LOZANO,
SUB-SECRETARY GENERAL OF SUTEP AND OLMEDO AURIS
MELGAR, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY OF SUTEP. THEY
HAVE GIVEN INTERVIEWS TO THE PRESS THROUGH THE
BARS OF THEIR BUILDING.

10. (C) COMMENT: NO COMPLETE LIST OF
DETAINEES IS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AT THIS POINT.
WE WILL PRESS PERUVIAN AUTHORITIES TO REVEAL
IMMEDIATELY THEIR IDENTITIES, PLACE OF
DETENTION, STATE OF HEALTH AND LEGAL STATUS AS A
MINIMUM. WE WILL PRESS AS WELL FOR INDEPENDENT
ICRC VERIFICATION. [REDACTED] D1

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