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 TAGS: PTER, PREL, PGOV, PE
 SUBJECT: POLICE MOVE INTO TERRORIST BLOCKS
 AT CANTO GRANDE PRISON

REFS: A) LIMA 2926 B) LIMA 5689

1. (U) SUMMARY: POLICE, SUPPORTED BY MILITARY

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UNITS, BEGAN AN OPERATION EARLY ON MAY 6 TO MOVE FEMALE TERRORIST INMATES FROM CANTO GRANDE MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON. SKETCHY REPORTS FILTERING OUT OF THE TIGHT SECURITY CORDON AROUND THE PRISON INDICATE AT LEAST FIFTEEN POLICEMEN WERE INJURED AND ONE KILLED; NO INFORMATION IS YET AVAILABLE ON POSSIBLE INMATE CASUALTIES. HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS AND THE ICRC HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE PRISON. POLICE REPORTEDLY DETAINED TWO LOCAL JOURNALISTS FOR TRYING TO ENTER CANTO GRANDE. END SUMMARY.

POLICE MOVE INTO CANTO GRANDE; 6 POLICE INJURED

2. (C) POLICE MOVED INTO THE CELL BLOCKS FOR FEMALE TERRORISTS AT CANTO GRANDE/CASTRO CASTRO MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON ON MAY 6. A COMBINED POLICE/ARMY FORCE (ESTIMATED AT 600) BEGAN THE OPERATION AT 04:00, WITH THE MILITARY PLAYING A SUPPORTING ROLE. ACCORDING TO THE MEDIA, SPORADIC GUN FIRE WAS HEARD INSIDE THE PRISON

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EARLY IN THE MORNING AND LATE IN THE AFTERNOON. NEWS REPORTS INDICATED ONE POLICEMAN DIED OF BURNS FROM MURIATIC ACID THROWN BY RESISTING INMATES AND FIFTEEN WERE INJURED, BUT DID NOT SPECIFY HOW.

[REDACTED] CONFIRMED THAT AT LEAST SIX POLICEMEN HAD BEEN INJURED. AS OF 16:00 (LIMA TIME) POSSIBLE INJURIES AMONG THE INMATE POPULATION WERE NOT KNOWN.

PLAN TO MOVE FEMALE TERRORISTS TO CHORRILLOS

3. (C) POLICE SPECIAL OPERATIONS (DIROES) DIRECTOR GENERAL HURTADO TOLD EMBOFF THAT THE POLICE PLAN WAS TO MOVE THE FEMALE TERRORISTS TO CHORRILLOS PRISON FOR WOMEN. (MEDIA REPORTS AT 17:00 LOCAL TIME SAID THAT POLICE HAD BEGUN TRANSFERRING THE FEMALE INMATES TO SANTA MONICA PRISON.) POLICE HAD STRICT INSTRUCTIONS TO USE

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MINIMUM FORCE, AND TO FIRE ONLY IN SELF-DEFENSE. A SPECIAL 20-MAN POLICE TEAM HAD BEEN DEPLOYED TO PROVIDE PROTECTION TO THE POLICE AND THE INMATES. THE POLICE HAD TAKEN OVER DIRECT CONTROL OF CHORRILLOS FROM THE CORRUPT AND INEFFICIENT NATIONAL PENITENTIARY INSTITUTE (INPE) A FEW WEEKS AGO. AS OF APRIL 10, THERE WERE 575 TERRORISTS AT CANTO GRANDE -- 535 SENDERISTAS (411 MEN, 124 WOMEN) AND 40 MRTA TERRORISTS (31 MEN AND 9 WOMEN.)

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HR GROUP TRIES FOR ACCESS; TWO REPORTERS DETAINED

4. (C) [REDACTED] SAID A COORDINADORA ASSOCIATE ORGANIZATION, THE EPISCOPAL COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL ACTION (CEAS), AND PASTORS MINISTERING AT CANTO GRANDE WERE TRYING TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE PRISON. THE CEAS DELEGATION WOULD PRESENT A SPECIAL PASS GIVEN TO THEM BY THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE SEVERAL WEEKS AGO TO BLUFF THEIR WAY INSIDE. [REDACTED] DID NOT EXPECT THEM TO BE ALLOWED INSIDE, AND ADDED THAT THE POLICE HAD APPEARENTLY ESTABLISHED A 300 METER RESTRICTED ZONE AROUND THE PRISON. ACCORDING TO UNCONFIRMED REPORTS, POLICE DETAINED TWO

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JOURNALISTS WORKING FOR THE WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINE
"OIGA" AFTER THEY TRIED TO ENTER THE PRISON.
THE ICRC WAS REBUFFED IN REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO
GAIN ACCESS.

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COMMENT

5. (C) THE GOP HAS PLACED A HIGH PRIORITY ON
TAKING BACK THE PRISONS. THE GOP HAS SAID ON AT
LEAST THREE OTHER OCCASSIONS SINCE THE APRIL 5
COUP THAT IT WAS MOVING INTO THE PRISONS; THIS
TIME THE GOP DID IT. WE DO NOT YET KNOW AT WHAT
THE COST. END COMMENT. QUANTON##

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