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	FAAE-00	CCO-00	OMB-01	INRE-00	CA-02	CG-00	USSS-00
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 SECDEF FOR GENERAL OLMSTEAD

E.O. 12356: DECL:OADR
 TAGS: SNAR, PTER, ASEC, SENV, PE
 SUBJECT: TERRORIST ATTACK AGAINST GUARDIA CIVIL AT UCHIZA

1. ON MARCH 27, AT APPROXIMATELY 1715 HOURS, AN ESTIMATED
 200 PRESUMED TUPAC AMARU (MRTA) GERRILLAS ATTACKED THE
 60-MAN POLICE UNIT IN UCHIZA, THE WELL-KNOWN DRUG CENTER

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OF THE UPPER HUALLAGA VALLEY. INITIAL REPORTS STATE

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THAT 10 GUARDIA CIVIL PERSONNEL WERE KILLED WITH ANOTHER 20 WOUNDED. ADDITIONAL CIVILIANS MAY HAVE ALSO BEEN WOUNDED. AFTER PERUVIAN ARMY UNITS SECURED UCHIZA WITH HELICOPTER-BORNE TROOPS, INM HELICOPTERS EVACUATED DEAD AND WOUNDED FROM UCHIZA TO SANTA LUCIA WHERE INM C-123 WILL TAKE DEAD AND WOUNDED FROM PALMAS DEL ESPINA AIRSTRIP TO LIMA.

2. DETAILS ARE FORWARDED BY RADIO AND ARE STILL SKETCHY. ACCORDING TO NAU PERSONNEL AND GC SOURCES THE ATTACK WENT AS FOLLOWS: AT APPROXIMATELY 1715 HOURS ON MARCH 27, SOME 200 UNIFORMED GUERRILLAS SURROUNDED THE 60-MAN GC UNIT IN UCHIZA (30 SPECIAL FORCES, DOES, 15 64TH COMANDANCIA TROOPS AND 15 REGULAR GC) AND OPENED FIRE. DUE TO THE USE OF UNIFORMS AND TACTICS OF ATTACK (SURROUNDING POSITION, RATHER THAN A STRAIGHT AHEAD ASSAULT) GC INDICATED ATTACKERS WERE LIKELY MRTA RATHER THAN SENDERO LUMINOSO. AFTER SEVERAL HOURS THE ATTACK BROKE OFF (EXACT TIME IS UNKNOWN, RADIO CONTACT WAS LOST AT 1915 HOURS). ON MARCH 28 THE PERUVIAN ARMY BASED IN TINGO MARIA HELICOPTERED TROOPS INTO UCHIZA AT DAYBREAK AND FORMALLY SECURED THE TOWN AT 0645 HOURS. AFTER THE TOWN WAS SECURED, THREE INM HELICOPTERS IN THREE SORTIES EVACUATED DEAD AND WOUNDED FROM UCHIZA TO SANTA LUCIA WHERE C-123 AND DEA FLINT UNIT WILL EVACUATE BOTH DEAD AND WOUNDED FROM NEARBY PALMAS DEL ESPINO TO LIMA. AT NO TIME DID INM HELICOPTERS RECEIVE HOSTILE FIRE OR OBSERVE COMBAT BETWEEN GC AND TERRORISTS. MORE DETAILS WILL BE REPORTED AS SITUATION BECOMES CLEARER. WATSON

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