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1. [REDACTED] SUMMARY: THIS IS THE FIRST MONTHLY  
REPORT ON POLITICAL VIOLENCE TRENDS IN PERU.  
NOVEMBER SAW CONTINUED HIGH LEVELS OF VIOLENCE,  
WITH SOME 288 PERSONS KILLED, INCLUDING AT LEAST  
86 SUBVERSIVES, IN APPROXIMATELY 128 TERRORIST  
RELATED INCIDENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.  
"DISAPPEARANCES" ATTRIBUTED TO GOVERNMENT FORCES

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REMAINED LOW IN NOVEMBER (0 PER THE COORDINADORA AND 3 PER THE PUBLIC MINISTRY). THIS SHARP DROP IN DISAPPEARANCES CONTINUES A TREND STARTING IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER. TERRORIST ASSASSINATIONS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE OUTNUMBERED EXTRA-JUDICIAL KILLINGS BY GOVERNMENT FORCES BY A FACTOR OF 7:1, ACCORDING TO THE COORDINADORA. THE MOST DANGEROUS REGIONS REMAIN THE JUNGLE AREAS (INCLUDING THE UPPER HUALLAGA VALLEY) AND THE SOUTH-CENTRAL SIERRA AREAS. THE BARRIOS ALTOS MASSACRE, WIDELY PRESUMED TO BE THE WORK OF PARAMILITARY PERSONNEL INTRODUCED A NEW ELEMENT INTO THE TERRORIST EQUATION. THE SIMULTANEOUS SLAUGHTER BY SENDERO OF 37 CIVILIANS IN HUANCVELICA PASSED ALMOST UNNOTICED OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY. LIMA WAS FURTHER ROCKED BY SEVERAL SPATES OF "ANNIVERSARY" BOMBINGS BY BOTH SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) AND THE TUPAC AMARU REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (MRTA). END SUMMARY.

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2. [REDACTED] THIS IS THE FIRST MONTHLY REPORT ON TRENDS IN POLITICAL VIOLENCE IN PERU. THE MONTHLY UPDATE DRAWS ON SEVERAL WELL-ESTABLISHED VIOLENCE DATABANKS, INCLUDING THOSE FROM PERUVIAN CONGRESS' COMMISSION ON PACIFICATION, CHAIRED BY UNHRC CHAIRMAN BERNALES, THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS' OFFICE, THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, A PROMINENT LEFTIST THINK TANK - DESCO, AND AN IN-HOUSE VIOLENCE TRACKING EFFORT. BY USING A VARIETY OF SOURCES THE REPORT IS DESIGNED TO PRESENT A MORE ACCURATE PICTURE OF VIOLENCE TRENDS, BUT WE CAUTION AGAINST USING NUMBERS FROM THIS REPORT AS HARD DATA. VIOLENCE INFORMATION ABOUT PERU IS IMPERFECT AND HIGHLY UNCERTAIN IN THE BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

NOVEMBER BEGAN WITH A BLOODBATH  
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3. [REDACTED] NOVEMBER STARTED OFF WITH ONE OF THE MOST CHILLING TERRORIST INCIDENTS OF THE YEAR, THE NOVEMBER 3 MASSACRE OF 17 PERSONS IN LIMA'S BARRIOS ALTOS BY PRESUMED SECURITY FORCE-LINKED PARAMILITARY PERSONNEL (REF A). THE MASSACRE, LITERALLY WITHIN A STONE'S THROW OF AT LEAST FOUR POLICE INSTALLATIONS AND SCANT BLOCKS AWAY FROM THE NATIONAL CONGRESS, SHOCKED EVEN PERU'S VIOLENCE INURED PRESS AND PUBLIC. ALTHOUGH A

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FEW OF THE DEAD HAD PREVIOUS CONNECTIONS TO SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL), THE MOTIVE, AUTHORSHIP AND INVESTIGATION INTO THE KILLINGS ALL REMAIN WRAPPED IN CONSIDERABLE HAZE. IN THE ABSENCE OF PRECISE INFORMATION SURROUNDING THE KILLINGS, IT HAS BEEN WIDELY INTERPRETED AS A WARNING TO THE GOP ABOUT COMING DOWN TOO HARD ON SECURITY FORCES. THE MASSACRE CAME HARD ON THE HEELS OF UNPRECEDENTED GOP LEGAL MOVES AGAINST AN ARMY LIEUTENANT ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN THE EARLIER, SEPARATE SANTA BARBARA MASSACRE.

4. (U) AT THE SAME TIME, AND ALMOST UNNOTICED OUTSIDE PERU, SOME 100 SL TERRORISTS REPORTEDLY

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ATTACKED AND SACKED A RURAL VILLAGE NEAR SANTO  
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 TOMAS DE PATA (IN HUANCAMELICA PROVINCE NEAR  
 AYACUCHO CITY), MURDERING 37 SELF-DEFENSE FORCE  
 MEMBERS (RONDEROS). NINE OF THE VICTIMS WERE  
 CHILDREN.

LIMA BEARS HIGH SHARE OF TERRORIST ATTACKS  
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5. [REDACTED] METROPOLITAN LIMA ONCE AGAIN SUFFERED  
 A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF THE TERRORIST ATTACKS. THE  
 BERNALES COMMISSION NOVEMBER REPORT SHOWS 45  
 TERRORIST INCIDENTS IN LIMA IN NOVEMBER OUT OF  
 128 INCIDENTS REPORTED NATIONWIDE. ONLY THE  
 "SIERRA" REGIONS WERE HIT HARDER, WITH SOME 58  
 INCIDENTS. EXCEPT FOR THE BARRIOS ALTOS  
 MASSACRE, THE LETHALITY OF LIMA ATTACKS REMAINED  
 LOW COMPARED TO TERRORIST INCIDENTS IN THE  
 JUNGLE AND "SIERRA" REGIONS.

6. [REDACTED] THE TUPAC AMARU REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT  
 (MRTA) CONTRIBUTED HEAVILY EARLY IN THE MONTH TO  
 THE TERRORIST PRESSURE ON THE CAPITAL CITY WITH  
 A MORTAR ATTACK ON THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE AND A  
 SPATE OF 12 DYNAMITE ATTACKS ON BANKS AND PUBLIC

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INSTITUTIONS. THIS RASH OF BOMBINGS MARKED THE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MRTA ARMED STRUGGLE ON NOVEMBER 4 (REF B). THE MRTA CONTINUED TERRORIZING THE CAPITAL WITH CHARACTERISTIC HIGH-PROFILE/LOW-RISK ATTACKS, INCLUDING THE NOVEMBER 13 BOMBINGS OF IMPORTED CAR DEALERSHIPS THAT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED SOME 30 LUXURY CARS.

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7. [REDACTED] FOR ITS PART, SL REMAINED RELATIVELY QUIET IN LIMA DURING EARLY NOVEMBER, APPARENTLY BUILDING TOWARDS INCREASED ACTIVITY TO MARK THE DECEMBER 3 BIRTHDAY OF ITS FOUNDER/PRESIDENT ABIMAEI GUZMAN. HOWEVER, A HAND-GRENADE ATTACK ON A POLICEMAN'S WEDDING PARTY IN HUAMANGA (A TOWN IN THE CENTRAL SIERRA) ON NOVEMBER 17 KILLED THREE WOMEN AND INJURED SOME 60 GUESTS. PRESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS SPECULATED THE ATTACK MAY HAVE BEEN IN RESPONSE TO THE BARRIOS ALTOS MASSACRE. ON NOVEMBER 28, SL TEMPORARILY BLACKED OUT LIMA, BOMBED THE SPANISH EMBASSY AND DYNAMITED AT LEAST NINE BANKS AND OTHER PRIVATE BUSINESSES AROUND THE CITY (REF C).

8. [REDACTED] ALSO AROUND NOVEMBER 27, SECURITY FORCES SWEEPED THROUGH LIMA AND NETTED SOME 31 PRESUMED SL TERRORISTS. THE HIGHLY PUBLICIZED SECURITY OPERATION PROBABLY PREEMPTED PLANNED SL ATTACKS FOR GUZMAN'S BIRTHDAY, MAKING THE ANNIVERSARY, TRADITIONALLY CELEBRATED WITH INCREASED SL VIOLENCE, RELATIVELY UNEVENTFUL.

DISAPPEARANCES  
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9. [REDACTED] THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS NO DISAPPEARANCE CASES FOR NOVEMBER. THEY CAUTION THAT DISAPPEARANCES MAY YET BE REPORTED. THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR FOR

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HUMAN RIGHTS' OFFICE HAS THREE POSSIBLE  
DISAPPEARANCE CASES FOR NOVEMBER. EVEN IF THESE  
THREE CASES TURN OUT TO BE DISAPPEARANCES, THIS  
TOTAL WOULD CONTINUE THE ENCOURAGING TREND OF  
THE PAST THREE/FOUR MONTHS.

DISAPPEARANCE DENUNCIATIONS:

MONTH	COORDINADORA	PUBLIC MINISTRY
JAN:	17	22
FEB:	19	63
MAR:	52	29
APR:	48	43
MAY:	40	54
JUN:	36	28

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COMPARATIVE LEVELS OF VIOLENCE

10. [REDACTED] THE BERNALES COMMISSION REPORT, THE MOST RELIABLE AND COMPREHENSIVE DATABANK ON TERRORIST-RELATED INCIDENTS, PROVIDES A COMPARISON OF THE CURRENT LEVELS OF VIOLENCE IN NOVEMBER VERSUS PREVIOUS MONTHS. IT IS REPEATED IN PART IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AN ORDER OF MAGNITUDE TO THIS INITIAL BASE LINE REPORT.

DEATHS BY VICTIMS/NUMBER OF INCIDENTS: BERNALES

	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		YTD	
	90	91	90	91	90	91	90	91
TERRS.:	229	87	156	220	138	86	1542	1423
MILIT.:	3	25	31	6	9	13	106	137
POLICE:	17	6	9	11	23	15	152	164
RONDERO:	8	21	-	72	13	13	97	161
CAMPES:	19	65	56	60	15	75	687	472
OTHERS:	92	40	56	53	83	86	868	614
TOTAL:	368	244	308	422	281	288	3452	2971

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11. [REDACTED] THE SAME DATABASE SHOWS THAT JUNE WAS THE MOST VIOLENT MONTH IN 1991: 540 TERRORISM-RELATED DEATHS (INCLUDING 362 SUBVERSIVES) OCCURRED IN 191 INCIDENTS, ALL HIGHS FOR THE YEAR. HUMAN RIGHTS SOURCES ATTRIBUTED THE JUNE HIGHS TO SENDERO LUMINOSO'S TRYING TO DEMONSTRATE ITS THEN JUST ANNOUNCED "STRATEGIC EQUILIBRIUM." COMMENT: SENDERO DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT IT HAS REACHED THE ABILITY TO GO TOE-TO-TOE WITH THE PERUVIAN MILITARY, BUT RATHER THAT IT CAN MOVE WITHIN A GIVEN AREA WITH THE SAME EASE (OR DIFFICULTY) THAT THE MILITARY CAN. END COMMENT.

12. (U) THE FOLLOWING CHART GIVES AN IDEA OF WHO IS DOING THE KILLING, SPECIFICALLY POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS AND EXTRA-JUDICIAL KILLINGS.

POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS/EXTRA-JUDICIAL KILLINGS  
BY AUTHOR: COORDINADORA

	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	YTD
SENDERO	52	39	95	46	46	78	103	619
MRTA	2	1	-	-	2	3	2	16
TERRS NFI	13	2	1	3	2	2	2	30
POLICE/MILIT	-	7	8	16	10	1	34	88
PARAMILITARY	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	5
UNKNOWN	24	10	18	12	18	18	11	158
TOTALS	91	59	122	76	75	102	153	916

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NOTE: 30 OF THE 34 KILLINGS ATTRIBUTED TO THE POLICE/MILITARY IN OCTOBER ARE BASED ON EXTENSIVE, BUT UNCONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS. THESE FIGURES WERE NOT OBTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARD COORDINADORA METHODOLOGY (REQUIRING CONFIRMATION BY AT LEAST ONE OR MORE INDEPENDENT SOURCE). END NOTE.

LETHALITY INDEX: BERNALES/DESCO

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13. [REDACTED] USING BERNALES COMMISSION REPORT FIGURES FOR THE NUMBER OF TERRORIST INCIDENTS IN NOVEMBER (128) WITH DESCO STATISTICS FOR THE NUMBER OF KILLED IN TERRORIST-RELATED INCIDENTS FOR NOVEMBER (311) --

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BROKEN DOWN IN-HOUSE BY REGION -- WE HAVE ARRIVED AT

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THE FOLLOWING APPROXIMATIONS:

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REGIONS	INCIDENTS	DEATHS	LETHALITY
LIMA-METRO :	45	27	0.6
SELVA (JUNGLE) :	19	175	9.2
SIERRA (HIGHLANDS) :	58	99	1.7
OTHER; COASTAL :	6	10	1.6
TOTALS :	128	311	0.4

14. [REDACTED] KEEPING IN MIND THE HIGHLY TENTATIVE NATURE OF THESE FIGURES, WE CAN CONFIRM A PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TREND OF A HIGH NUMBER OF INCIDENTS IN METROPOLITAN LIMA BUT A LOW LEVEL OF FATALITIES, AS COMPARED WITH THE VERY DEADLY LETHALITY INDEX FOR THE JUNGLE AREAS AND THE SIERRA REGIONS. FOR ACCURACY, WE NOTE THAT 93 OF THE 175 DEAD CLAIMED FOR THE JUNGLE AREAS OCCURRED IN TWO CONFRONTATIONS BETWEEN SUBVERSIVES AND THE MILITARY, WHERE THE REPORTS INDICATE THE MILITARY SUFFERED ONLY 3 DEAD AND THE TERRORISTS TOOK 90 CASUALTIES. THESE TWO QUESTIONABLE INCIDENTS SKEW THE LETHALITY RATE FOR THE JUNGLE AREAS CONSIDERABLY. WE ALSO NOTE THAT INCIDENTS IN LIMA ARE GENERALLY REPORTED WHEREAS MANY INCIDENTS IN THE SIERRA AND JUNGLE REGIONS GO UNACCOUNTED. NOTE: IT MUST BE REITERATED THAT THE "LETHALITY" INDEX ABOVE MIXES DATA FROM TWO VERY DIFFERENT SOURCES, REQUIRING THAT THE FIGURES BE REGARDED MORE

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TENTATIVELY THAN OTHER FIGURES GIVEN ELSEWHERE.  
THE PUBLICATION OF SENATOR BERNALES' END OF YEAR  
DATA MAY ENABLE US TO PROVIDE A SINGLE SOURCE  
CHART. END NOTE.

LEVELS OF VIOLENCE: DEATHS AND INCIDENTS

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15. [REDACTED] BELOW IS A COMPARATIVE CHART OF THE DATA COLLECTED FROM THE BERNALES COMMISSION REPORT, THE DESCO/HUMAN RIGHTS COMMUNITY, AND OUR NASCENT IN-HOUSE TRACKING EFFORT, DRAWN EXCLUSIVELY FROM PUBLISHED NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS.

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THIS IS OFFERED TO ALLOW A COMPARISON OF THE RANGE OF DATA AVAILABLE ON TWO KEY LEVEL OF VIOLENCE INDICES, NUMBER OF DEATHS AND NUMBER OF TERRORIST RELATED INCIDENTS:

NOVEMBER	DEATHS	INCIDENTS
BERNALES:	288	128
DESCO :	311	167
IN-HOUSE:	196	74

16. (C) COMMENT: STATISTICALLY NOVEMBER WAS A RELATIVELY TYPICAL MONTH. INDIVIDUAL PIECES OF DATA MUST BE VIEWED WITH RESERVE, BUT WE BELIEVE THAT THE TREND LINES ARE BOTH VALID AND REVEALING. THIS FIRST MONTHLY UPDATE IS DESIGNED TO ASSIST END-USERS TO FOLLOW VIOLENCE

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PAGE 04 LIMA 17982 04 OF 04 241919Z TRENDS, AND SERVES AS A BASE LINE FOR FUTURE POLITICAL VIOLENCE REPORTS. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO BE AN EMPIRICAL ACCOUNTING INSTRUMENT. END COMMENT. QUAINTON##

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