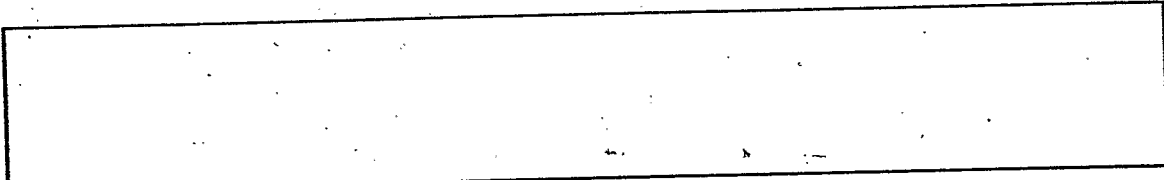


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TEXT

SUBJECT: USAITAC MONTHLY INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM SUMMARY - NOVEMBER 1992 (MITS 92-11, PART 3 OF 4) (U)

1. (U) THE MONTHLY INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM SUMMARY (MITS) CONSISTS OF FOUR PARTS. PART 1, MSG DTG 131301Z NOV 92, IS AN UNCLASSIFIED TRAVEL SECURITY ADVISORY. PART 2, MSG DTG 131302Z NOV 92, IS A SECTION ON EUROPE. PART 3 IS A SECTION ON THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE. PART 4, MSG DTG 131304Z NOV 92, IS A SECTION ON NORTH AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST, SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA, AND ASIA.

2. (U) ITAC USES THE DOD STANDARD TERRORIST THREAT LEVEL TERMINOLOGY OF CRITICAL, HIGH, MEDIUM, LOW, AND NEGLIGIBLE (AS DEFINED IN JCS SM 73-86 ANNEX B) IN ASSESSING THE TERRORIST THREAT. TERRORIST THREAT LEVELS ARE A PRODUCT OF THE SIX FACTORS: EXISTENCE, CAPABILITY, INTENTIONS, HISTORY, TARGETING, AND SECURITY ENVIRONMENT. PART 1, PARAGRAPH 2, SUMMARIZES EACH OF THE SIX FACTORS.

3. (U) PART 3 TABLE OF CONTENTS

A. (U) US/CANADA (PARA 4).

B. (U) CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN (PARA 5).

C. (U) SOUTH AMERICA (PARA 6).

4. (U) UNITED STATES/CANADA-----ANALYST: MR. HAYDEN
(INFORMATION CUTOFF DATE: 9 NOV 92)

A. (U) UNITED STATES-----THREAT LEVEL: LOW
(1) (U) USAITAC HAS NO SPECIFIC, CORROBORATED INFORMATION INDICATING ANY TERRORIST THREATS DIRECTED AGAINST US ARMY ASSETS IN THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES (CONUS). THE THREAT LEVEL FOR CONUS IS ASSESSED AS LOW.

(2) (U) FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS, THE CONUS THREAT LEVEL IS PROJECTED AS LOW.

B. (U) PUERTO RICO-----THREAT LEVEL: MEDIUM
(1) (U) THE THREAT LEVEL FOR PUERTO RICO (PR) IS ASSESSED AS MEDIUM.

(2) (U) THERE WERE NO ACTS OF TERRORISM DIRECTED AT US ARMY OR US COMMERCIAL INTERESTS ON THE ISLAND DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. THERE WERE NO SIGNIFICANT ACTS OF TERRORISM OR PUBLIC DISRUPTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS' DISCOVERY OF AMERICA. THE EPB-MACHETEROS REMAINS THE MOST CAPABLE SEPARATIST ORGANIZATION ON THE ISLAND, BUT THE GROUP HAS BEEN HAMPERED BY THE FEDERAL ARRESTS AND PROSECUTIONS OF SEVERAL KEY MEMBERS SINCE 1985. WITH THE ARREST OF LUIS ALFREDO COLON OSORIO IN MAR 92 AND THE CONVICTION IN ABSENTIA OF FILIBERTO OJEDA RIOS IN MAY (SEE MITS 92-05), THE LEADERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION IS IN QUESTION. OJEDA RIOS REMAINS A FUGITIVE, AND THE ORGANIZATION'S LACK OF RECENT ACTIVITY, INCLUDING FAILING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PERIODS OF HEIGHTENED INTERNATIONAL MEDIA INTEREST, MAY INDICATE EITHER A LOSS OF CAPABILITY OR A LACK OF SUFFICIENT RESOLVE TO CONTINUE THE "FIGHT FOR INDEPENDENCE."

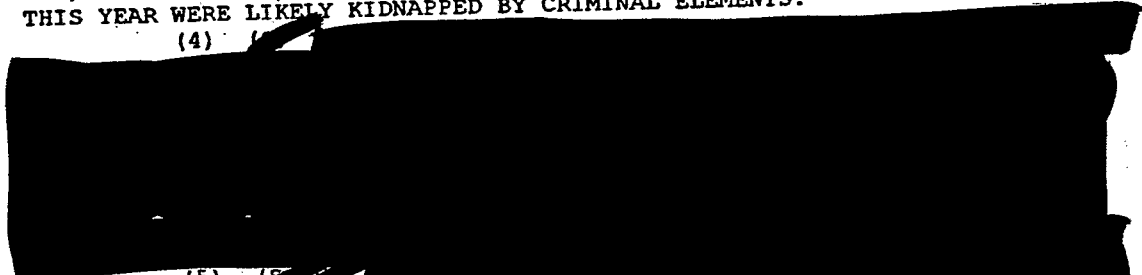
(3) (U) SEVERAL ANNIVERSARY DATES IN THE HISTORY OF PR ARE COMMEMORATED, USUALLY WITHOUT FAIL, BY DEMONSTRATIONS OR

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AS GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO COUNTER KIDNAPPERS REMAIN INEFFECTIVE, FARC/ELN KIDNAPPINGS WILL CONTINUE. PROBABLE TARGETS WILL BE US BUSINESSMEN, THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS, AND US-AFFILIATED RELIGIOUS PERSONNEL. THREE US CITIZENS HAVE BEEN ABDUCTED BY SUSPECTED GUERRILLAS IN 1992; ALL WERE ASSOCIATED WITH MINING OR OIL EXPLORATION COMPANIES. ONE OF THE HOSTAGES, WHO WAS ABDUCTED ON 8 JAN, REPORTEDLY DIED DURING CAPTIVITY. TWO OTHER AMERICANS ABDUCTED THIS YEAR WERE LIKELY KIDNAPPED BY CRIMINAL ELEMENTS.

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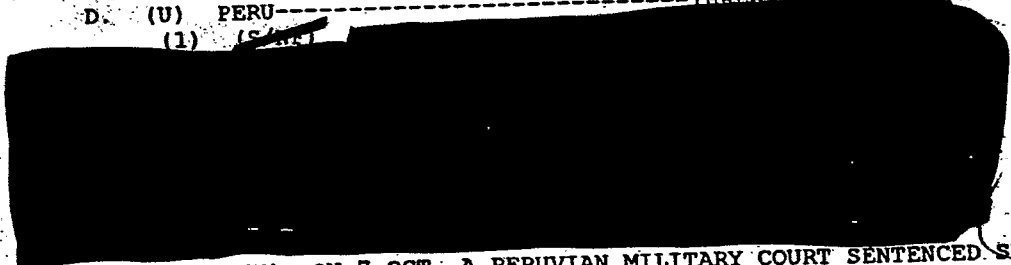


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(6) (U) THE TERRORIST THREAT TO US INTERESTS IN COLOMBIA FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS WILL REMAIN HIGH.

D. (U) PERU-----THREAT LEVEL: HIGH

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(2) (U) ON 7 OCT, A PERUVIAN MILITARY COURT SENTENCED SL FOUNDER, ABIMAEEL GUZMAN, TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT, ALONG WITH SIX OTHER SL MEMBERS. SL VIOLENCE HAS CONTINUED IN THE WAKE OF THE SENTENCING. IN ONE INCIDENT ALONE, ON 10 OCT, AN SL COLUMN REPORTEDLY KILLED 47 CIVILIANS IN AN AYACUCHO DEPARTMENT VILLAGE. THE PERUVIAN PRESS REPORTS AS MANY AS 200 CIVILIAN, MILITARY, POLICE, AND GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL KILLED BY THE SL SINCE GUZMAN'S ARREST IN SEPTEMBER.

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(5) (U) THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT'S RECENT SUCCESSES AGAINST BOTH THE SL AND THE MRTA HAVE APPARENTLY DISHEARTENED SOME GUERRILLAS. ACCORDING TO PERUVIAN PRESS REPORTS, SINCE THE CAPTURE OF GUZMAN ON 12 SEP, APPROXIMATELY 300 GUERRILLAS HAVE SURRENDERED TO PERUVIAN SECURITY FORCES. APPROXIMATELY 50 OF THE 300 WERE SL MEMBERS, AND APPROXIMATELY 250 WERE MRTA MEMBERS. A LAW PASSED IN MAY GUARANTEES SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED SENTENCES FOR GUERRILLAS WHO VOLUNTARILY SURRENDER, AND STIPULATES THAT SENTENCES MAY BE COMMUTED TO MILITARY SERVICE. GUERRILLAS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN JOINING RURAL SELF-DEFENSE LEAGUES TO WORK OFF THEIR PRISON TIME.

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(7) (U) THE US EMBASSY EMERGENCY ACTION COMMITTEE (EAC) REPORTS A POSSIBLE INCREASED THREAT TO US INTERESTS DURING THE PERUVIAN NATIONAL ELECTIONS ON 22 NOV. SL OR MRTA ACTIVITY COULD DISRUPT THE ELECTIONS AND WORSEN THE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT, BUT THERE IS NO INFORMATION INDICATING US INTERESTS WILL BE TARGETED.

(8) (U) THE TERRORIST THREAT TO US INTERESTS IN PERU FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS WILL REMAIN HIGH.

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