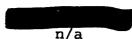
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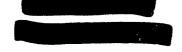
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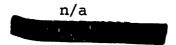
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WHEN CHARGE MET WITH BRAZILIAN EMBASSY CHARGE VICENTE MOURAO MAY 17 (REFTEL), MOURAO MENTIONED THAT HE HAD HEARD A STORY FROM A NUMBER OF DIPLOMATS IN LIMA WHICH PURPORTED TO DESCRIBE HOW THE U.S. EMBASSY CREATED THE ROBLES ASYLUM AFFAIR. MOURAO SAID THAT ACCORDING TO THIS VERSION, THE CHARGE NEGOTIATED IN ADVANCE



PAGE 02 LIMA 05687 192114Z WITH GENERAL ROBLES OVER THE TERMS OF HIS BEING ACCEPTED FOR ASYLUM AT THE EMBASSY. HE IS ALLEGED TO HAVE INDUCED GENERAL ROBLES TO "TOUGHEN" HIS ACCUSATIONS IN ORDER TO MAKE THEM AS DAMAGING AS POSSIBLE TO THE GOP AS A PRE-CONDITION FOR ACCEPTANCE AS AN ASYLEE.

CHARGE TOLD MOURAO THAT THIS WAS TOTALLY UNFOUNDED. ROBLES HAD MADE AN APPOINTMENT IN



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ADVANCE WITH THE ARMY ATTACHE, STATING THAT HE NEEDED VISAS FOR THE U.S. TO TAKE UP HIS NEW POSITION ON THE IADB. WE DID NOT LEARN OF ROBLES' REAL INTENT UNTIL HE WAS INSIDE THE EMBASSY; WE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ALLEGATIONS HE MADE. MOURAO SAID THE STORY MADE NO SENSE TO HIM, BUT HE HAD INFORMED US OF IT SO THAT WE WOULD KNOW WHAT IS GOING AROUND TOWN.

4. COMMENT: WE DOUBT THAT THE DIPLOMATS FROM WHOM MOURAO PICKED UP THIS STORY INVENTED IT THEMSELVES. IT SOUNDS MORE LIKE SPIN DOCTORING BY GOP OFFICIALS WHO ARE DISPLEASED WITH U.S. POLICY TOWARD PERU AND WHO SEEK TO UNDERMINE OUR ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT POLICY. POLOFFS HAVE PICKED UP INDICATIONS THAT THIS STORY IS MAKING THE ROUNDS AMONG PERUVIAN POLITICIANS AS WELL. BRAYSHAW



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