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TAGS: ASEC, PTER, PE

SUBJECT: HOSTAGE TAKING - JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S LIMA RESIDENCE
 SITREP 2 (1:30 P.M. E.S.T.)

REFS: A). LIMA 10752 (NOTAL) B). LIMA 10763

1. CLASSIFIED BY DENNIS JETT, AMBASSADOR, EMBASSY LIMA,
 REASON: 1.5 (D)

2. [REDACTED] DCM SPOKE WITH HUMAN RIGHTS OMBUDSMAN JORGE SANTISTEVAN DE NORIEGA AT NOON LOCAL (SAME AS STANDARD) TIME. SANTISTEVAN AND FATHER LANSSIERS, MEMBERS OF THE AD HOC PARDON COMMISSION WHICH IS REVIEWING CASES OF PERSONS UNJUSTLY JAILED ON TERRORISM CHARGES, OFFERED TO MEDIATE BETWEEN THE GOP AND TUPAC AMARU REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (MRTA) HOSTAGE TAKERS AT 02:00 A.M. ON DECEMBER 18. THEY REMAIN WILLING TO ASSIST, BUT THE GOP HAS NOT RESPONDED TO THEIR OFFER. SANTISTEVAN TOLD THE DCM THAT HE BELIEVES THERE IS A LOT OF

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 TENSION INSIDE THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AND THAT SOME HOSTAGES ARE SUFFERING FROM HEART CONDITIONS AND NEED MEDICATION. SANTISTEVAN SAID THE MRTA TERRORISTS ARE DRAFTING A MEMO (SEE PARA 8) TO THE GOP DEMANDING THAT THE GOP OPEN UP A DIALOGUE WITH THEM AND SEND MEDICATION FOR THE HOSTAGES' BENEFIT. IN ADDITION, SANTISTEVAN UNDERSTANDS THE MRTA IS ALSO DEMANDING THAT PERUVIAN POLICE PULL BACK 100 METERS FROM THEIR PRESENT POSITIONS AROUND THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE.

3. (U) ONE LOCAL TV STATION REPORTED AT 11:20 A.M. THAT THE MRTA TERRORISTS STATED THAT THEY WOULD KILL FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCISCO TUDELA IN TWENTY MINUTES IF THEIR DEMANDS WERE NOT MET. ALMOST TWO HOURS AFTER THIS PURPORTED DEADLINE, WE HAVE NO INDICATION THAT MRTA TERRORISTS HAVE HARMED TUDELA.

4. [REDACTED] EMBASSY RECEIVED PRESS REPORTS SHORTLY AFTER 12:00 P.M. LISTING SOME EMBASSY PERSONNEL AMONG THE HOSTAGES. WIRE SERVICE STORIES LIST BOYD, MAXEY, BAYER, AND FSN CARRILLO AS USAID EMPLOYEES. LOCAL RADIO HAS ALSO MADE PUBLIC THE FACT THAT POL

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COUNSELOR WAGNER IS ONE OF THE HOSTAGES (BASED ON A STATEMENT ISSUED TO THE PRESS BY THE TERRORISTS WHICH WAS SIGNED BY A NUMBER OF HOSTAGES, INCLUDING WAGNER.) EMBASSY IS STILL REFUSING TO CONFIRM OR DENY PRESENCE OF OFFICIAL AMERICANS AMONG THE HOSTAGES.

5. [REDACTED] DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VOTO-BERNALES CONFIRMED FOR DCM THAT PRESIDENT FUJIMORI HAS RECEIVED ALL OF THE U.S. OFFERS OF ASSISTANCE AS WELL AS THE OFFERS FOR MEDIATION MADE BY DR. SANTISTEVAN AND FATHER LANSSIERS, BUT HAS NOT TAKEN ANY DECISION YET.
6. [REDACTED] HOSTAGE ECON COUNSELOR RIDDLE CONTACTED HIS WIFE PAULA BY [REDACTED]
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CELLULAR PHONE AT 11:15 A.M. AND REPORTED THAT HE IS DOING FINE. HOSTAGE AID OFFICER DAVID BAYER CALLED AID FIVE MINUTES LATER AND SAID HE AND THE HOSTAGES ARE WELL. BAYER NOTED THAT THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN SOME FOOD AND UNRESTRICTED USE OF THEIR CELLULAR PHONES. HE ALSO REVEALED THAT HALF OF THE MRTA TERRORISTS SLEPT WHILE THE OTHER HALF STOOD GUARD. WHEN ASKED FOR HIS PHONE NUMBER, THE CONNECTION WAS CUT.

7. [REDACTED] CORRECTION AND ADDITION: REF A LISTED KRIS MERSCHOD AS AN AID EMPLOYEE. MERSCHOD IS AN AMCIT EMPLOYED BY AN NGO WHICH HAS A CONTRACT WITH AID. REFTELS DID NOT REPORT THAT AID FSN PEDRO CARRILLO IS ALSO AMONG THE MRTA HOSTAGES.

8. (U) THE MRTA RELEASED TWO PERUVIAN HOSTAGES AT 12:20 P.M. THE HOSTAGES CARRIED A PAPER CONVEYING MRTA DEMANDS FOR MEDICINE AND FOR THE POLICE TO STAND BACK 100 METERS. THE DOCUMENT WAS SIGNED BY A NUMBER OF THE HOSTAGES, INCLUDING POL COUNSELOR WAGNER, ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS REPORTING.

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NOTE: NOT PASSED TO ABOVE ADDRESSEE(S)
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