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 SUBJECT: TFPE01: SITREP 6 (3:30 A.M. EST, DECEMBER 19, 1996)
 HOSTAGE TAKING - JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S LIMA RESIDENCE

REFS: LIMA 10785 AND PREVIOUS

1. CLASSIFIED BY HENRY BISHARAT, POLOFF, EMBASSY LIMA,
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 CABINET DECISION ON THE HOSTAGE CRISIS
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2. (U) ACCORDING TO A 3:15 A.M. REPORT ON RADIO PROGRAMAS, THE PERUVIAN CABINET HAS BEEN MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FUJIMORI SINCE MIDNIGHT. THE CABINET DECIDED THAT EDUCATION MINISTER DOMINGO PALERMO WILL BE THE OFFICIAL NEGOTIATOR, HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC) IN LIMA MICHEL MINNIG THE MEDIATOR, AND THE PROCESS WOULD BE KEPT PRIVATE UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PRESIDENT FUJIMORI.

 NEGOTIATIONS BY RELEASED AMBASSADORS

3. [REDACTED] FORMER HOSTAGES CANADIAN AMBASSADOR ANTHONY VINCENT AND PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL ARMANDO LECAROS MET WITH MRTA TERRORISTS INSIDE THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE FOR OVER HALF AN HOUR (12:19 TO 12:55 A.M.). SHORTLY AFTERWARDS, VINCENT READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT "WE HAVE TRANSMITTED TO THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT THE DEMANDS OF THE MRTA. AN UNOFFICIAL, PRIVATE

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NEGOTIATION IS NOW TAKING PLACE THROUGH THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE RED CROSS. THE PROCESS WILL CONTINUE TOMORROW."

4. [REDACTED] CANADIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR RIVARD TOLD POLOFF AT 2:00 EST (LOCAL) THAT THE MEETING BETWEEN AMBASSADOR VINCENT AND THE MRTA WENT WELL UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. THE MRTA TERRORISTS WERE ATTENTIVE AND COMPOSED AS THEY WERE BRIEFED ON THE OUTCOME OF THE MEETING AT THE EDUCATION MINISTRY. THE CANADIAN AMBASSADOR WILL SPEAK WITH THE MRTA TERRORISTS BY PHONE AFTER SUNRISE. AT 9:00 A.M., THE CANADIAN, GREEK, AND GERMAN AMBASSADORS WILL MEET AT THE CANADIAN EMBASSY ALONG WITH LECAROS. THEY EXPECT TO MEET WITH IMPRISONED MRTA LEADER VICTOR POLAY AT CALLAO PRISON AND WITH THE [REDACTED]

PAGE 04 LIMA 10786 01 OF 02 190927Z HUMAN RIGHTS OMBUDSMAN DURING THE MORNING. THE AMBASSADORS THOUGHT THEY COULD MEET WITH THEM DURING THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 18, BUT THE MEETING WAS CANCELED FOR UNKNOWN REASONS. [REDACTED]

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A MEETING FOR THE NEGOTIATING AMBASSADORS WITH FUJIMORI ON THE 19TH IS STILL UNCLEAR.

5. [REDACTED] COMMENTING ON VINCENT'S USE OF WORD "UNOFFICIAL," RIVARD SAID THE CANADIANS WERE BEING REALISTIC AND UNDERSTOOD THAT THE RED CROSS/AMBASSADORS NEGOTIATIONS MAY NOT BE THE KEY NEGOTIATING FORMAT. HE EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT WANTED TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THINGS WERE HAPPENING.

JAPANESE EMBASSY CONTACT

6. [REDACTED] JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICER FROM WASHINGTON MAMI MIZUTORI, NOW WORKING IN THE JAPANESE EMBASSY IN LIMA, PHONED TASK FORCE AT 2:00 A.M. TO ASK ABOUT FBI PRESENCE AROUND THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. POLOFF INFORMED HER THAT THERE WAS NO FBI PERSONNEL AT

NOTE: NOT PASSED TO ABOVE ADDRESSEE(S)

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THE RESIDENCE. MIZUTORI PROVIDED TASK FORCE WITH A PHONE NUMBER
 FOR FUTURE CONTACTS WITH THE JAPANESE EMBASSY: 463-9144. POLOFF
 ALSO PROVIDED HER NUMBERS FOR USE IN CONTACTING THE INTERNATIONAL
 COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC) IN LIMA.

 NAMES OF FIVE U.S. HOSTAGES ANNOUNCED ON PERUVIAN TELEVISION

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7. [REDACTED] THE NAMES OF FIVE US MISSION HOSTAGES (POLCOUNS JIM WAGNER,
 ECONCOUNS JOHN RIDDLE, AND USAID PERSONNEL DON BOYD, DAVID BAYER
 AND MIKE MAXEY) WERE ANNOUNCED ON PERUVIAN TELEVISION (CHANNEL
 FIVE) AT 3:15 A.M. THE NEWSCASTER MENTIONED THAT THE US EMBASSY
 WOULD NOT CONFIRM THIS. HE THEN PROCEEDED TO READ THE NAMES OF
 SOME HOSTAGES FROM OTHER DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS. (THE OTHER TWO USC
 HOSTAGES ARE NARCOTICS ASSISTANCE COUNSELOR JOHN CROW AND USAID
 OFFICER CHRIS MISHERAD.)

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE QUIET

8. (U) SEVERAL PERUVIAN TELEVISION STATIONS ARE CONTINUING TO
 BROADCAST THE HOSTAGE SITUATION LIVE. TELEVISION FEEDS SHOW NO
 MOVEMENT AROUND THE JAPANESE AMBASSADORS RESIDENCE AT 3:30 A.M.
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