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TO: M/CTP - Ambassador Sayre  
 FROM: ARA/AND - Fred Rondon *FR*  
 SUBJECT: Cuban Activity in Peru  
 REF: Your Memorandum of August 2

I was as surprised as you were by Commissioner Von Raab's statement that Cuban officers led Sendero terrorists. I checked immediately with the Embassy in Lima. Ambassador Jordan was present at the meeting between Senator Hawkins, Commissioner Von Raab and President Belaunde. Our Ambassador recalled no statement by Belaunde concerning Cuban-led terrorists. The Ambassador cautions, however, that several people participated in the conversation and something may have been said that he did not overhear.

In answer to your questions:

- 1) We do not know what Belaunde said. France Presse reported on July 7 that 3 Cubans, 1 Spaniard and a German headed a June 22 attack on a police post. This information is unsubstantiated, and I refer you to the Embassy's comments in Lima's 8870 (attached).
- 2) There is no intelligence I am aware of of Cuban support for SL operations.
- 3) I am unaware of any links between the Cubans and narcotics traffickers in Peru.

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AFP REPORTS ON 'NARCOTERRORIST' ACTIVITIES

PY060244 Paris AFP in Spanish 2041 CNT 5 Jul 84

[Excerpt] Lima, 5 Jul (AFP) — The police reported here today that four policemen died and an unknown number of civilians and policemen were wounded last night, when members of the extremist group Shining Path dynamited a police post in the district of Aucayacu, in the Amazon area of Tingo Maria.

In other areas, five Cubans, two Colombians, a Spaniard and a German woman have participated in the planning of a series of terrorist attacks that have been carried out recently in the Muallaga Basin (Amazon area), where, in one of the eight subversive cells that were broken up, approximately 3 tons of military equipment — weapons, munitions, explosives and police uniforms — were confiscated and 77 narcoterrorists were arrested.

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Colonel Nelson Restagui, who is in charge of 200 law enforcement officers, and who has the support of small planes and helicopter gunships, carried out the Pirana operation during the past few days, when he took the Alto Pacoche camp, the main training center for the narcoterrorists, by surprise and where he also found documentation regarding terrorist attacks.

During the operation, which was carried out in the Districts of Torimato, Macomilla, Comuelo, Nueva Esperanza, Progreso, La Mar, and Alto Pacoche, a clandestine airstrip was discovered close to the camp and it has also been confirmed that the Cubans, Hernan and Julio Bravo, and the Colombian brothers surnamed Panchino, who were instructors, had been staying in the camp, but the source did not give any more details about them.

Colonel Restagui, who said that the arrested persons are lodged in the Muanuco and Tingo Maria jails, has stressed that all of them have confessed that they participated in a series of attacks that have been carried out by narcoterrorists over the past 2 years in the area.

It has also been revealed that another three Cubans, who have not been identified, the Spaniard Javier Gonzalez Castillo and the German woman Glenda Waxner, headed the attack on 22 June against the Tocache police post, where three policemen lost their lives and two were seriously wounded, according to a confession made by Norma Castaneda Solis, who is under arrest. The aforementioned foreigners have apparently taken refuge in the hills.

#### SHINING PATH ATTACKS TOWN, KILLS 27 PEASANTS

FY080038 Paris AFP in Spanish 0121 GMT 7 Jul 84

[Text] Ayacucho, 6 Jul (AFP) -- A column of Shining Path guerrillas yesterday attacked the town of Chahuin, northeast of this city, and killed 27 people, survivors have reported. This information was provided by seven injured persons who were evacuated out of Chahuin by the security forces and taken to the Ayacucho hospital.

The witnesses recounted that from 100 to 150 guerrillas armed with rifles, machetes, and spears participated in the attack on Chahuin, 100 km from Ayacucho. Three children -- 4, 7 and 11 years of age -- and a 19-year-old woman were among the injured.

In Ayacucho, 575 km southeast of Lima, security forces at nightfall proceeded to make massive arrests of passersby, especially men and youngsters, in order to prevent further attacks, the soldiers said.

Well-informed sources have reported that since the terrorist violence began in May 1980, 3,845 persons have been killed in Ayacucho Department alone.

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MEMORANDUM

August 2, 1984

TO: ARA/AND - Mr. Rondon ✓  
INR/GI - Mr. Dubose

FROM: M/CTP - Ambassador Saffel

SUBJECT: Cuban Activity in Peru

At the public hearing before the Hawkins Subcommittee on August 2 on the relationship between narcotics traffic and terrorism the Commissioner of Customs Von Raab stated that President Belaunde of Peru had told him that in one operation against the SL terrorists in the Emergency Zone two columns of about 100 terrorists each were encountered and that there were Cuban officers with them.

Could you let me know:

1. Whether this is a correct representation of what Belaunde said? I have also been told that such an allegation was attributed to a Peruvian source but not President Belaunde.
2. Whether we have any intelligence on Cuban support of or participation in SL operations in Peru regardless of source?
3. Whether we have any information on Cuban relations with narcotics traffickers in Peru which might have been confused by the Peruvian President or a Peruvian source with SL operations.

I ~~am~~ have seen the statement by President Belaunde on the relationship between the SL and narcotics traffickers and our Embassy comments so I do not need anything on that. The public hearing was my first knowledge that the Cubans are said to be involved with SL and I would like to know the facts.

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