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((EXCERPTS)) ((BEGIN INTERVIEW)) ((REPORTER)) WAS THE ATTACK
ON THE UCHIZA POLICE STATION ENTIRELY CONDUCTED BY THE
POPULAR GUERRILLA ARMY, OR DID DRUG TRAFFICKERS HELP YOU?

((TERRORIST)) IT WAS CONDUCTED EXCLUSIVELY BY THE POPULAR
GUERRILLA ARMY PERSONNEL. IT WAS NOT SUPPORTED BY ANY DRUG

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TRAFFICKER. THE ATTACK WAS PART OF OUR STRUGGLE.

((REPORTER)) WEREN'T YOU ASSISTED BY THE DRUG TRAFFICKERS? DIDN'T THEY SUPPLY WEAPONS TO YOU?

((TERRORIST)) NO, WE HAVE NO CONNECTION WITH THEM. THIS IS AN ARMY OF THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE.

((REPORTER)) IT WAS REPORTED THAT YOU LOST SOME 40 MEN DURING THE ATTACK.

((TERRORISTS)) NO, THAT IS A LIE. PEOPLE MAKE UP WHATEVER SUITS THEM. WE LOST ONE MAN; AND TWO OTHERS WERE INJURED. THEY LOST MANY MORE MEN THAN THEY REPORTED. I WAS TOLD THAT THEY LOST SOME 30 MEN, ALTHOUGH THE PRESS REPORTS ONLY 6 DEAD AND 3 INJURED. WHERE ARE THE OTHERS? MORE THAN 20 OF THEM WERE KILLED.

((REPORTER)) DID YOU GIVE THE POLICEMEN A CHANCE TO SURRENDER? TO LAY DOWN THEIR WEAPONS?

((TERRORIST)) YES SIR, WE DID, WE GAVE THEM THIS OPPORTUNITY RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING. RIGHT AT THE BEGINNING WE SHOUTED: SURRENDER, LAY DOWN YOUR WEAPONS, WE GUARANTEE YOUR LIVES. BUT THEY DID NOT WANT TO SURRENDER. THEY PREFERRED TO DIE WITH THEIR WEAPONS IN THEIR HANDS, SHOOTING. THEY PREFERRED TO DIE FOR THE DOMINEERING CLASS, THE PROLETARIAT ((CORRECTS HIMSELF -- FBIS)), PARDON ME, FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

((REPORTER)) SEVERAL TIMES, THE PEASANTS OF THE ALTO (GUAYAGUA) REGION HAVE COMPLAINED THAT YOUR GROUP IS DEMANDING MONEY TO FINANCE THE MOVEMENT.

((TERRORIST)) NO SIR, WE ABSOLUTELY DO NOT DEMAND MONEY FROM ANYONE, NOT IN THIS REGION OR IN ANY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTRY. WE, THE PEOPLE HELP US VOLUNTARILY. OUR ARMY IS OF THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE.

((REPORTER)) DO THE PEOPLE, VOLUNTARILY GIVE YOU FOOD, AND OTHER STAPLES?

((TERRORIST)) EXACTLY SIR, THE PEOPLE HELP THEIR NEW POPULAR GUERRILLA ARMY OF A NEW FACTION -- MARXIST, LENINIST, MAOIST, ORIENTED BY THE UNIFYING PRINCIPLES OF OUR PRESIDENT GONZALO. ((END INTERVIEW))

DURING THE INTERVIEW, THE MAN CHOSEN TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS MADE SEVERAL MISTAKES. IMMEDIATELY, THE GROUP LEADER ORDERED US TO REPEAT THE INTERVIEW. THE INTERVIEW WAS RECORDED SIX TIMES, AND EACH TIME, THE INTERVIEWED TERRORIST MADE MISTAKES. FINALLY, THE GROUP LEADER WROTE DOWN THE ANSWERS, AND WE RECORDED THE LAST INTERVIEW AS FOLLOWS:

((BEGIN INTERVIEW)) ((PASSAGE OMITTED ON PREVIOUSLY COVERED MATERIAL)) ((REPORTER)) WAS THE ATTACK ON THE UCHIZA POLICE STATION CONDUCTED ONLY BY YOUR GROUP, OR WITH THE HELP OF THE (ALTO GUAYAGUA) DRUG TRAFFICKERS?

((TERRORIST)) NO, THE ATTACK WAS CONDUCTED SOLELY AND ENTIRELY BY THE POPULAR GUERRILLA ARMY, SPONSORED BY THE PROLETARIAT THROUGH THE PERUVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY. ((END INTERVIEW))

ALL THE MEN SURROUNDING US WERE CARRYING FA-AUTOMATIC RIFLES, AND SOME OF THEM ALSO CARRIED MODERN AK-TYPE RIFLES, WHICH THE INTERIOR MINISTRY RECENTLY PURCHASED FOR THE POLICE FORCES.

TWO OF THEM REALLY LOOKED LIKE GUERRILLAS, BUT THERE WERE SOME PECULIAR THINGS ABOUT THE GROUP. THE MAN BEING INTERVIEWED WAS WEARING A SPOTLESS PAIR OF WHITE TROUSERS AND EXPENSIVE LEATHER BOOTS WITHOUT ANY TRACE OF MUD. HE COULD NOT ANSWER SEVERAL OF THE QUESTIONS WE ASKED HIM FROM THE WRITTEN TEXT, BUT THE YOUNG, ARMED MEN, WHO WERE WATCHING THE INTERVIEW, READILY GAVE MEMORIZED ANSWERS TO SEVERAL OF THE QUESTIONS WE ASKED THEM ABOUT THE MOVEMENT. ((MORE SONGS))

AFTER SPENDING SOME 12 HOURS WITH THEM, WE WERE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO THE PLACE WE HAD COME FROM.

ON THE WAY BACK, WE COULD FILM THE PATH WE HAD FOLLOWED THE NIGHT BEFORE. NEAR THE RIVER, WE WERE AGAIN HANDED OVER TO THE YOUNG MEN WHO HAD BROUGHT US FROM UCHIZA.

BACK IN UCHIZA, THEY ALLOWED US TO FILM THE VILLAGE'S MAIN SQUARE, WHERE THE COMMUNIST PARTY FLAG WAS FLYING; AND THE TOWN HALL, WHICH HAD BEEN TOTALLY DESTROYED. AGAIN, WE PASSED IN FRONT OF THE POLICE STATION, ALSO COMPLETELY DESTROYED. ON THE WALLS, HOWEVER, NEW SLOGANS HAD BEEN PAINTED.

ON THE TRIP BACK TO TINGO MARIA, WE COULD ALSO OBSERVE SLOGANS PAINTED ON THE WALLS OF THE HOUSES BY THE ROAD. THEY REFERRED TO MARXISM, COMMUNISM, AND PRESIDENT GONZALO, BUT, NEXT TO THEM, THERE WERE ALSO SLOGANS REJECTING THE CONDOR-6 OPERATION, WHICH COMBATS DRUG TRAFFICKERS, AND IS CONDUCTED BY THE CIVIL GUARD. THEN, WE REACHED A CONCLUSION: THE ATTACK ON THE UCHIZA POLICE STATION WAS CONDUCTED BY NARCOTERRORISTS.

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