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LINERS' REJECTION OF IU'S "ACCOMMODATION" WITH APRA, RELIANCE ON ELECTIONS AS THE PATH TO POWER, AND CRITI-CISM OF TERRORISM. RADICAL MARXISTS WITHIN AND WITHOUT IU MET THIS MONTH AND AGREED TO BUILD A "NATIONAL POPULAR ASSEMBLY" TO RIVAL THE IU. SEVERAL PARTICIPANTS GAVE BARELY QUALIFIED ENDORSEMENTS OF TERRORISTS; ONE CLAIMED TO HAVE HAD CONTACT WITH SENDERO LUMINOSO. DISSIDENTS ARE SMALL IN NUMBER, BUT HAVE INFLUENCE IN LABOR AND PEASANT GROUPS. THEIR POTENTIAL FOR DAMAGE WOULD BE EVEN GREATER IF THEY GAVE MATERIAL SUPPORT TO TERRORISTS. THEIR BEHAVIOR MAY ALSO UNDERMINE IU MAINSTREAM AND PROVOKE A REACTION AGAINST MODERATES AS WELL AS RADICALS. LEFTIST INFIGHTING INCREASES PRESSURE ON BARRANTES TO WIN LIMA MAYOR RACE. BARRANTES IS UNLIKELY TO ACCOMMODATE HARDLINERS, HOPING THEIR OWN INTERNAL DISPUTES WILL RESTRAIN THEM. END SUMMARY.

- THE 1985 GENERAL ELECTIONS ESTABLISHED THE MARXIST UNITED LEFT (IU) COALITION AS PERU'S STRONGEST OPPOSITION GROUP, WITH 26 PERCENT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL VOTE AND 63 OF THE 240 CONGRESSIONAL SEATS. ITS SOLE MARXIST RIVAL IN THE ELECTIONS--THE TROTSKYITE PRT--FAILED TO OBTAIN ANY SEATS IN CONGRESS, LEAVING THE IU AS THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE BROAD POLITICAL SPECTRUM BETWEEN APRA AND SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL).
- THE IU'S PRESIDENT IS ALFONSO BARRANTES, A MIDDLE CLASS INDEPENDENT (AND AN APRISTA TILL THE 1950'S) FROM CAJAMARCA WHO BECAME LIMA MAYOR IN 1983. OVER THE PAST YEAR HE HAS LED THE IU IN A FAIRLY LOW-CONFIDENTIAL

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PROFILE, UNANTAGONISTIC OPPOSITION ROLE. MOST OBSERVERS AGREE HE HAS A GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH PRESIDENT GARCIA, AND BARRANTES HAS SURPRISED MANY IN IU BY SUPPORTING SELECTED GOP INITIATIVES AT ODDS WITH THE IU PLATFORM, SUCH AS THE 10 PERCENT FOREIGN DEBT PAYMENT LIMIT. HE HAS DENOUN

FOR THE IU EVENTUALLY TO WIN THE PRE

SIDENCY.

PRIVATELY DEFENDS

BARRANTES' APPROACH BY POINTING TO CHILE, WHERE HE CLAIMED AN OVER-EAGER LEFT HAD PUSHED TOO HARD

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AND BY CAUSING A MILITARY DICTATORSHIP "HAD SET BACK THE CLOCK FIFTY YEARS." IN THE CASE OF PERU, A MILITARY COUP WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY SEVERE REPRESSION AGAINST THE ENTIRE LEFT, NOT JUST THE RADICALS.

BARRANTES' STRATEGY HAS GENERATED CONTROVERSY WITHIN THE IU, AND HAS UNDERSCORED THAT THE IU IS NOT A PARTY BUT RATHER A COALITION OF DISPARATE MARXIST FIEFDOMS DIVIDED BY PERSONAL RIVALRIES AND POLITICAL STRATEGIES. SUPPORTING BARRANTES ARE THE OSSIFIED MOSCOW-LINE PERUVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCP-U), THE MINISCULE REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY (PCR), THE REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST PARTY (PSR; A HYBRID OF VELASQUISTA GENERALS AND RADICAL CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS), AND BARRANTES' OWN INDEPENDENTS. HIS STEADY OPPONENTS ARE THE MORE RADICAL UNIFIED MARIATEGUISTA PARTY (PUM); THE NATIONAL UNION OF THE REVOLUTIONARY LEFT (UNIR, FROM WHOSE LARGEST COMPONENT, PATRIA ROJA, SENDERO LUMINOSO BROKE AWAY IN THE 1960'S); AND, RECENTLY, THE PERSONALIST AND TINY POPULAR WORKERS, CAMPESINO, AND STUDENT FRONT (FOCEP).

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PUM AND UNIR HAVE COMPLAINED INCREASINGLY SINCE 1985 THAT THE ABSENCE OF STRONG IU OPPOSITION TO THE GOP IS A SERIOUS ERROR. WITH APRA FIRMLY IN CONTROL OF THE CONGRESS, AND WITH THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTIONS FOUR YEARS AWAY, THEY ARGUED THAT THE IU SHOULD PUSH FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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GREATER "RADICALIZATION" THROUGH INCREASED STRIKES,
DEMONSTRATIONS, CONFRONTATION IN CONGRESS (E.G., THE
INTERPELLATION) AND GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION. THEIR
DIFFERENCES OBEY NOT ONLY DIFFERENT IDEOLOGIES
(PUM'S SUPPORT FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS ALWAYS HAS BEEN A MATTER OF CONVENIENCE) BUT ALSO PUM AND UNIR'S
RESPECTIVE LEADERS' DESIRE TO REPLACE BARRANTES AS
COALITION CHIEF. (PART OF PUM/UNIR'S PAST SUPPORT
FOR THE ELECTIONS WAS BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT IN 1985
APRA WOULD NOT HAVE A MAJORITY IN CONGRESS AND THAT THE
IU'S OPPORTUNITIES IN CONGRESS WOULD BE GREATER.)

6. THE MOST RECENT INTRA-IU CRISIS CAME TO A HEAD IN JULY AND AUGUST. AT ISSUE WAS WHETHER BARRANTES WOULD RUN FOR RE-ELECTION AS LIMA MAYOR, A POSITION VITAL TO HIS GRIP OVER THE IU AND TO HIS FUTURE PRESIDENTIAL ASPIRATIONS. AS IS THE RULE IN PERUVIAN POLITICAL PARTIES, THE DECISION WAS MADE BY TOP PARTY LEADERS, NOT IN A CONVENTION OR PRIMARY. AFTER THREATENING TO BOW OUT, BARRANTES WON AGREEMENT FOR RE-ELECTION. KEY TO HIS SUCCESS WAS A CONSENSUS THAT NO OTHER IU LEADER COULD KEEP THE COALITION TOGETHER, AND THAT ON A NATIONAL LEVEL, MUCH OF IU'S SUPPORT DEPENDED MORE ON BARRANTES' PERSONALITY THAN ON THE MEMBER PARTIES' ORGANIZATION AND THEIR LEADERS' MARXIST RHETORIC. UNABLE TO BLOCK BARRANTES, PUM AND UNIR WENT ALONG, BUT INDICATED THEY REMAINED COMMITTED TO RADICALIZATION OF THE IU.

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7. THE BITTER PERSONAL RIVALRIES THAT MARKED THE SQUABBLES OVER BARRANTES' LEADERSHIP AND RE-ELECTION BID PARALLELED THE UNDERLYING DISCOMFORT OF THE MORE RADICAL IU MEMBER GROUPS WITH APRA AND THE ADVISABILITY OF PURSUING POWER THROUGH "BOURGEOIS" DEMOCRATIC CONFIDENTIAL

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ELECTIONS. THE CATALYST FOR THESE GROUPS (PRINCIPALLY THE PUM AND UNIR) WAS THE HANDLING OF THE JUNE PRISON RIOTS, IN WHICH ABOUT 240 SL PRISONERS DIED, AT LEAST 100 OF WHOM WERE SUMMARILY EXECUTED BY THE SECURITY FORCES. A NUMBER OF IU MEMBERS -- PARTICULARLY IN PUM -- BELIEVED THE PRISON AFFAIR NOT ONLY SHOWED A "FASCIST" ASPECT OF APRA, BUT ALSO UNDERSCORED THE FUTILITY OF SEEKING POWER DEMOCRATICALLY WHILE A "REPRESSIVE" MILITARY EXISTED. THUS PROMINENT PUM MEMBER

WHO IN EARLY 1986 HAD SUNG GARCIA'S PRAISES AS A POTENTIAL BRIDGE BETWEEN APRA AND THE LEFT, CONFIDED IN JUNE THAT THE GOP WAS A DEAD END FOR THE LEFT AND THAT THE LEFT MUST LOOK NOW TO ITS OWN PROTECTION, IMPLYING STRONGLY THAT CLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION WAS A BIG PRIORITY.

PERU WAS UNDERGOING AN IRREVERSIBLE PROCESS OF "DECOMPOSITION," MARKED BY INCREASING VIOLENCE BY THE ULTRA-LEFT (SENDERO) AND THE GOVERNMENT. THE LEFT -- NOT NECESSARILY THE IU, SAID

EVENTUALLY WOULD HAVE TO DECIDE IF IT WAS TO BE AN ARMED POLITICAL ACTOR. IN ANY CASE, HE SAID, PUM WAS REASSESSING ITS PARTICIPATION IN "ELECTIONEERING."

(INTERESTINGLY, DIAGNOSIS OF "DECOMPOSITION" -- BUT NOT HIS SOLUTION -- IS SIMILAR

TO THOSE OF NOTED POLITICAL OBSERVERS LUIS PASARA AND JULIO COTLER. INDEED, PASARA MADE WAVES RECENTLY IN THE INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY BY ANNOUNCING HIS "SELF-EXILE" TO COSTA RICA, IN EFFECT WRITING OFF SITUATION IN PERU AS HOPELESS.)

OBSERVATION SHOULD BE VIEWED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE TRADITION OF CLANDESTINE ACTIVITY AND PREDILECTION FOR ARMED VIOLENCE THAT HE AND THE PUM SHARE. IT HIGHLIGHTS THE FACT THAT FOR THE PUM (AND PROBABLY ALSO FOR UNIR), THERE IS AN ALTERNATIVE TO BARRANTES' STRATEGY. (THE PUM AND UNIR NONETHELESS

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ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE NOVEMBER 1986 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS; LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS ARE NOT SO JADED AS THE PUM/UNIR CONGRESSMEN.) CONFIDENTIAL

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- 8. THE PUM IS NOT ALONE AMONG THE LEFT IN QUESTIONING DEMOCRATIC ROADS TO POWER. THERE HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN ACTIVITY BY GROUPS OUTSIDE THE IU THAT FAVOR "REVOLUTIONARY VIOLENCE" AND CONFRONTATION. THEY INCLUDE:
- A. TWO NEWLY-EMERGED RADICAL MARXIST GROUPS, THE DEMOCRATIC POPULAR UNITY (UDP), AND PEOPLE ON THE MARCH (PEM), THAT OPPOSE ANY ACCOMMODATION WITH APRA. BOTH REJECT PARTICIPATION IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS, AND THEIR PLATFORMS BEAR A STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO THAT OF THE TUPAC AMARU REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (MRTA). IU SOURCES HAVE COMPLAINED THAT THE UDP AND THE PEM, AS WELL AS THE MRTA, HAVE CAUSED DEFECTIONS BY YOUNGER MEMBERS. IN ADDITION, THEY BELIEVE THE UDP AND PEM SERVE AS THE "CRITICAL CONSCIENCE" OF PUM AND UNIR, URGING THEIR MEMBERS TO PUT THEIR REVOLUTIONARY RHETORIC INTO PRACTICE.
- B. THE MRTA, WHICH SINCE 1985 HAS STEPPED UP OPERATIONS IN LIMA AND HAS SPREAD TO OTHER CITIES. IN AUGUST, THE MRTA ENDED A ONE-YEAR UNILATERAL SUSPENSION OF ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE GOP. UNLIKE SENDERO, THE MRTA HAS SOUGHT TO MAINTAIN TIES TO MEMBERS OF THE NON-VIOLENT LEFT. CRITICIZED BY IU LEADERS FOR "INFANTILISM" AND GRATUITOUS VIOLENCE, THE MRTA (AND ITS OFFSHOOT, THE PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND--CRP) NONETHELESS OFFERS RESTLESS LEFTISTS AN ALTERNATIVE TO IU RHETORIC AND SENDERISTA FANATICISM.

IN THE BACKGROUND REMAINS SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) WHICH CONTINUES TO CARRY OUT TERRORIST ATTACKS IN LIMA CONFIDENTIAL .

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AND RURAL AREAS, AND WHICH MAINTAINS A SIGNIFICANT (IF IMPOSSIBLE TO QUANTIFY) PRESENCE IN THE LIMA SLUMS AND STATE UNIVERSITIES, WHERE IT COMPETES WITH THE IU AND OTHERS FOR POTENTIAL CADRE.

9. THE ACTIVISM OF THE MORE RADICAL, NON-TERRORIST

(FOR NOW) LEFT LED TO THE HOLDING IN EARLY SEPTEMBER

OF A PREPARATORY MEETING FOR A NATIONAL POPULAR

ASSEMBLY (ANP). PUSHING THIS EVENT WERE THE UDP, PEM,

AND SEVERAL REGIONAL LEFTIST GROUPS (E.G., "DEFENSE

FRONTS" OF DEPARTMENTS OF CUZCO, LAMBAYEQUE, AND

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.OQUEGUA). MORE TRADITIONAL LEFTIST GROUPS, INCLUDING THE PUM, UNIR, AND THE PCP (AND THE PCP DOMINATED LABOR CONFEDERATION, THE CGTP), AND SEVERAL CAMPESINO AND AGRARIAN GROUPS JOINED IN LATER. THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZERS WAS TO CREATE A "POPULARLY BASED" ALTERNATIVE STRUCTURE TO THE IU (BUT WHICH WOULD NOT EXCLUDE THE IU). BARRANTES RESPONDED BY IGNORING THE EVENT; THE PUM JOINED IN GLEEFULLY, EAGER TO MAINTAIN ITS RADICAL CREDENTIALS, AND OTHER IU MEMBER GROUPS PARTICIPATED TO KEEP THEIR OPTIONS OPEN. LOCAL PRESS REPORTED SERIOUS DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PARTICIPANTS OVER THE EVALUATION OF THE APRA ADMINISTRATION, AND WHETHER TO CONDEMN THE MRTA AND SL FOR TERRORISM. PERSONAL RIVALRIE SURFACED AS WELL. THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE SIGNALLED A HARDLINE VICTORY: APRA WAS LABELLED A "CLASS ENEMY;" THE GOP'S COUNTERINSURGENCY POLICY WAS TERMED "GENOCIDAL; A RALLYING CRY BECAME THE "NEED... FOR AN INTEGRAL ACCUMULATION OF FORCES THAT COMBINES ALL FORMS OF STRUGGLE, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF REVOLUTIONARY MASS VIOLENCE UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF A VANGUARD...". ALTHOUGH SL WAS CONDEMNED FOR "MILITARISTIC DOGMATISM THAT OVEREMPHASIZES THE ARMED STRUGGLE AND SEEKS TO REPLACE THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE, " MOST CRITICISM WAS FOCUSED ON "THE REFORMISM (READ IU) (WHICH) CONCILIATES WITH THE INTERESTS OF THE BOURGEOISIE..." CONFIDENTIAL

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ONE OF THE ORGANIZERS, CONGRESSMAN YEHUDE SIMONS, LAUDED THE MRTA, "WHOSE POLITICAL PROGRAM IS IDENTICAL TO OUR OWN." RICARDO LETTS, ONE OF THE EVENT'S COCONFIDENTIAL

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PRESIDENTS, UNDERSCORED THAT SL NEEDED TO BE
"REINCORPORATED" SLOWLY INTO THE REST OF THE LEFT,
AND THAT AN SL MILITARY DEFEAT WOULD NOT CAUSE "REPRESSION" TO RELAX, BUT RATHER TO INTENSIFY AND
TO DESTROY THE NON-VIOLENT LEFT. LETTS ALSO
AFFIRMED THAT THERE HAD BEEN DIALOGUE BETWEEN SL AND
OTHER MARXIST GROUPS IN CUZCO AND PUNO DEPARTMENTS
(BUT NOT IN AYACUCHO).

10. ONE MODERATE TOLD US THAT CHICLAYO MEETING SHOWED THAT THE IU SHOULD PART WAYS WITH IU RADICALS.
MODERATES ARE NOT SO CONCERNED NOW ABOUT MAINTAINING IU UNITY AS THEY ARE IN UNDERMINING RADICALS, WHOM THEY DISMISS AS MERE SPLINTER GROUPS THAT THE LEFT TRADITIONALLY PRODUCES, AND THAT ARE NEVER ABLE TO TRANSLATE RADICAL IDEOLOGY INTO POPULAR SUPPORT AND STAYING POWER. IU PRESIDENT BARRANTES CHARGED THAT

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THE RADICALS WERE THE PRODUCT OF LEFTIST "INFANTILISM." OUR OWN REACTION IS MORE CAUTIOUS. ALTHOUGH THE HARDLINERS ADMITTEDLY REPRESENT A SMALL FRACTION OF IU SUPPORTERS, THEY HAVE A NUMBER OF ACTIVE LEADERS,

SOME OF WHOM ENJOY POSITIONS OF INFLUENCE WITHIN LARGER LABOR AND CAMPESINO ORGANIZATIONS. MORE IMPORTANTLY, SEVERAL OF THESE LEADERS GAVE ENDORSEMENTS (ALBEIT

OUALIFIED) TO THE SL AND MRTA TERRORISTS, RAISING THE SPECTRE THAT THEY MIGHT LEND TERRORISTS MORE MATERIAL SUPPORT IN THE FUTURE. ANOTHER THREAT, HOWEVER, IS

THAT RADICALS WILL UNDERMINE THE IU'S CREDIBILITY AS A DEMOCRATIC PLAYER, AND PERHAPS EVEN PROVOKE A REACTION AGAINST MODERATES AS WELL AS RADICALS. ALTHOUGH CONSERVATIVE PERUVIANS VILLIFY THE IU, ITS EXISTENCE AND PARTICIPATION IN LEGITIMATE POLITICAL LIFE HAS ACTED AS A SAFETY VALVE FOR LEFTIST SENTIMENTS. CONFIDENTIAL

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THE HARDLINE RESURGENCE PLACES ADDITIONAL PRESSURE ON BARRANTES TO WIN THE LIMA MAYOR'S RACE IN NOVEMBER. A LOSS WOULD UNDERMINE HIS ABILITY TO REMAIN IU PRESIDENT, AND WOULD GIVE CREDENCE TO CRITICISM THAT THE IU NEEDS TO BE MORE COMBATIVE. A VICTORY WOULD GIVE HIM A SMALL BOOST. BARRANTES' APPROACH TO HIS RACE IS TO STRESS HIS OWN RECORD INSTEAD OF IDEOLOGICAL RHETORIC, MAKING IT EXTREMELY DOUBTFUL HE WOULD SEEK TO ACCOMMODATE HIS RADICAL OPPONENTS BEFORE NOVEMBER. EVEN AFTERWARDS, WE BELIEVE BARRANTES WOULD BE SKEPTICAL THAT HE COULD DEAL WITH THE MOST OUT-SPOKEN OF HIS OPPONENTS. INSTEAD, HE MAY ENCOURAGE MODERATE IU MEMBER PARTIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANP AND TO CONFRONT THE RADICALS, AND HOPE THAT THE LATTER GET MIRED IN THEIR OWN DOCTRINAL AND PERSONAL DISPUTES.

IN ADDITION TO THEIR POSSIBLE IMPACT ON TERRORISM, DIVISIONS IN THE LEFT HAVE OTHER IMPLICATIONS FOR THE GOP AND APRA. A POSSIBLE CASUALTY IS PRESIDENT GARCIA'S COURTSHIP OF THE MODERATE LEFT, PARTICULARLY BARRANTES, TO PROTECT HIS LEFT FLANK AND TO GAIN APPROVAL OF LEFTIST INTELLECTUALS. BARRANTES CANNOT KEEP THE RADICALS IN LINE; INDEED, DURING THE SEPTEMBER CABINET INTERPELLATION EVEN MODERATE IU CONGRESSMEN WERE OUTSPOKEN IN THEIR CRITICISM OF THE GOP. APRA CONSERVATIVES WHO SEEK TO

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DISTANCE THEIR PARTY FROM THE LEFT HAVE USED RECENT RHETORIC TO THEIR ADVANTAGE, SPARKING INTERNAL DEBATES ABOUT APRA-IU RELATIONS.

13. SITUATION WITHIN THE LEFT REMAINS IN A STATE OF FLUX. DEVELOPMENTS TO WATCH IN THE NEAR TERM ARE THE IU'S PERFORMANCE IN THE NOVEMBER MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS. AND HOLDING OF THE ANP, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR BEFORE YEAR'S END. THERE SHOULD BE BETTER DEFINITION CONFIDENTIAL

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