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 - GUATEMALA BY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL,  
 - WOLA/NISGUA, AND GUATEMALAN HUMAN  
 - RIGHTS COMMISSION

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1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. SUMMARY. THE EMBASSY HAS ANALYZED REPORTS  
 MADE IN THE U.S. BY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, WOLA/NISGUA

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AND THE GUATEMALAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION. WE  
 CONCLUDE THAT A CONCERTED DISINFORMATION CAMPAIGN  
 IS BEING WAGED IN THE U.S. AGAINST THE GUATEMALAN

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GOVERNMENT BY GROUPS SUPPORTING THE COMMUNIST INSURGENCY IN GUATEMALA; THIS HAS ENLISTED THE SUPPORT OF CONSCIENTIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS AND CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS WHICH MAY NOT FULLY APPRECIATE THAT THEY ARE BEING UTILIZED. THIS IS A CAMPAIGN IN WHICH GUERRILLA MAYHEM AND VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS ARE IGNORED; A CAMPAIGN IN WHICH RESPONSIBILITY FOR ATROCITIES IS ASSIGNED TO THE GOG WITHOUT VERIFIABLE EVIDENCE; A CAMPAIGN IN WHICH GOG RESPONSIBILITY FOR ATROCITIES IS ALLEGED WHEN EVIDENCE SHOWS GUERRILLA RESPONSIBILITY; A CAMPAIGN IN WHICH ATROCITIES ARE CITED THAT NEVER OCCURRED. THE CAMPAIGN'S OBJECT IS SIMPLE: TO DENY THE GUATEMALAN ARMY THE WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT NEEDED FROM THE U.S. TO DEFEAT THE GUERRILLAS. THUS, THE GROUPS BACKING THE GUERRILLAS INTEND TO WIN THE WAR AGAINST THE GOG BY MAKING THE U.S. CONGRESS THE BATTLEFIELD. IT IS THE OLD BUT EFFECTIVE STRATEGY OF "DIVIDE AND CONQUER." AS SOLZHENITSYN POINTED OUT IN HIS NOBEL LECTURE, "ANYONE WHO HAS ONCE PROCLAIMED VIOLENCE AS HIS METHOD MUST INEXORABLY CHOOSE THE LIE AS HIS PRINCIPLE." IF THOSE PROMOTING SUCH DISINFORMATION CAN CONVINCE THE CONGRESS, THROUGH THE USUAL OPINIONMAKERS -- THE MEDIA, CHURCH AND HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS -- THAT THE PRESENT GOG IS GUILTY OF GROSS HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, THEY KNOW THAT THE CONGRESS WILL REFUSE

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GUATEMALA THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE IT NEEDS. THOSE BACKING THE COMMUNIST INSURGENCY ARE BETTING ON AN APPLICATION, OR RATHER MISAPPLICATION, OF HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY SO AS TO DAMAGE THE GOG AND ASSIST THEMSELVES. IN THE FIGHT TO WIN CENTRAL AMERICA, THE COMMUNISTS KNOW FULL WELL THE IMPORTANCE OF GUATEMALA: THE LARGEST AND MOST ECONOMICALLY POTENT COUNTRY IN CA, STRATEGICALLY LOCATED NEXT TO MEXICO. THE EMBASSY NOTES THAT THE THREE HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS WHOSE REPORTS ARE ANALYZED IN THIS CABLE, WHATEVER THEIR NOMINAL ALLEGIANCE, USE MANY OF THE SAME INCIDENTS OF ALLEGED

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ATROCITIES IN THEIR REPORTS (SEE PARA 4); NOR DO THE REPORTS EVER CITE ALLEGED GUERRILLA ATROCITIES OR ASSASSINATIONS OF POLICE AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FOUR OR FIVE INCIDENTS IN THE AI REPORT (SEE PARAS 4 AND 5). IT SEEMS BEYOND QUESTION THAT THE THREE REPORTS ARE DRAWING ON MANY OF THE SAME SOURCES, SOURCES SPECIFIED IN THE WOLA/NISGUA REPORT -- SOURCES MOST OF WHICH ARE WELL-KNOWN COMMUNIST FRONT GROUPS IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND IN THE U.S. (SEE PARA 3). ALTHOUGH EMBASSY BELIEVES IT LIKELY THAT THE GUATEMALAN ARMY HAS INDEED COMMITTED SOME ATROCITIES, THE ASSERTION THAT THEY COMMITTED ALL THE MASSACRES ATTRIBUTED TO THEM IS NOT CREDIBLE, ESPECIALLY SINCE ANALYSIS INDICATES THE GUERRILLAS ARE RESPONSIBLE IN MANY CASES. IF THE GOG WERE INDEED ENGAGED IN MASSIVE EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTIONS -- A "MAD, GENOCIDAL"

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CAMPAIGN -- IN THE HIGHLANDS, ONE MUST WONDER WHY INDIANS ARE JOINING CIVIL DEFENSE PATROLS IN GREAT NUMBERS, AND WHY THOUSANDS OF INDIANS ARE COMING TO THE ARMY FOR REFUGE IN SUCH PLACES AS NEBAJ, CHOATULUM, AND SAN MARTIN JILOTEPEQUE. IN SUM, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT WHAT IS BEING PLANNED, AND SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT, IS THE COMMUNIST-BACKED DISINFORMATION PLAN MENTIONED ABOVE. END SUMMARY.

3. ANALYSIS OF REPORTS' SOURCES.

FIRST, AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL. BY AND LARGE, THE AI REPORT DOES NOT CITE ITS SOURCES. FOR A FEW INCIDENTS THE REPORT CITES "CAMPESINO GROUPS." IN ITS INTRODUCTION, AI CITES CUC -- A COMMUNIST-LED, WORLD FEDERATION TRADE UNION-  
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SUPPORTED (COMMUNIST) CAMPESINO UNION; WE ASSUME, THEREFORE, THAT CUC IS ONE OF ITS SOURCES. NOT THAT THE AI VIEWS INFORMATION FROM COMMUNIST SOURCES AS SUSPECT; ON THE CONTRARY, AS A SPOKESMAN FOR ITS LONDON OFFICE SAID, "AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL DOES NOT REGARD THE POLITICAL VIEWS OF ANY SOURCE, OR THE FACT THAT A SOURCE MAY BE CONSIDERED SUSPECT BY ANOTHER PARTY TO THE CONFLICT, AS REASON FOR REFUSING TO CONSIDER TESTIMONY." THE SPOKESMAN DID NOT SAY WHY THE AI HAD REFUSED TO CONSIDER GOG TESTIMONY IN ALMOST ALL THE INCIDENTS OF MASSACRES IN ITS MARCH 23 - JUNE 30 REPORT. IN FACT, THE AI REPORT CITES GOG REPORTS FOR ONLY FOUR OR FIVE OUT OF THE 60 IT REPORTED;

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GOG AND PRESS REPORTS WERE NOT CITED IN MANY INCIDENTS WHERE SUCH REPORTS WERE AVAILABLE. EMBASSY DOES NOT KNOW HOW CLOSELY HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS OF INTERNATIONAL REPUTE AND INFLUENCE LIKE AI CHECK THEIR SOURCES. IF THEY DO NOT CONSIDER AS SUSPECT REPORTS FROM GROUPS IN GUATEMALA CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN A WAR AGAINST THE GOG, THEN BY WHAT CRITERION DO THEY REFUSE TO ACCEPT THE WORD OF THE GOG AS EQUALLY VALID? AI ASSERTS IN ITS CONCLUSION THAT "THERE HAVE BEEN CONSISTENT REPORTS OF MASSIVE EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTIONS IN GUATEMALA SINCE GENERAL EFRAIN RIOS MONTT TOOK POWER IN MARCH 1982." THIS STATEMENT IMPLIES THAT THE PRESENT GOG IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL SUCH EXECUTIONS. IT IGNORES THE FACT THAT A WAR IS GOING ON IN WHICH BOTH SIDES INFLICT CASUALTIES ON EACH OTHER; IT IGNORES THE FACT THAT THE COMMUNIST

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INSURGENCY INITIATED THIS WAR. THE REPORT'S CLAIMED SOURCES, WHERE MENTIONED, ARE "PRESS REPORTS, EYEWITNESSES, AND GOVERNMENT PRONOUNCEMENTS." IT IS HARD TO IMAGINE GOVERNMENT PRONOUNCEMENTS ATTRIBUTING RESPONSIBILITY, ACCORDING TO AI, TO THE REGULAR ARMY AND TO CIVIL DEFENSE UNITS FOR "EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTIONS, ESPECIALLY IN THE HIGHLANDS." EMBASSY'S VOLUMINOUS PRESS CLIPS ON ALL SUCH ATROCITY STORIES DO NOT INCLUDE ANY SUCH GUATEMALAN PRESS REPORTS BLAMING ARMY AND CIVIL DEFENSE UNITS FOR AI-CITED ATROCITIES. ONE MUST ASSUME, THEREFORE, THAT AI'S "PRESS SOURCES" ARE REPORTS FOUND IN MAGAZINES AND PAPERS SUPPORTING THE INSURGENCY AND PUBLISHED OUTSIDE GUATEMALA (SEE WOLA/NISGUA SOURCES, BELOW). - AS FOR EYEWITNESSES, ANALYSIS OF THE AI REPORTS SHOWS THAT AI APPARENTLY NEVER TALKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE WITNESSED GUERRILLA ATROCITIES (SEE REFTEL E ON VIDEOTAPE OF SURVIVORS' TESTIMONY RE INCIDENTS IN SALACUIN, ALTA VERAPAZ; PATZUL, QUICHE; AND LAS COLMENAS, ZARAGOZA, CHIMALTENANGO). PERHAPS THIS IS NOT SO HARD TO UNDERSTAND; AFTER ALL, AI REFUSES THE GOG INVITATION TO COME TO GUATEMALA

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TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES.

SECOND, GUATEMALAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (COMISION DE DERECHOS HUMANOS DE GUATEMALA, CDHG). THE CDHG CLAIMS THAT ALL THE INCIDENTS IT CITES CAME FROM GUATEMALAN PRESS REPORTS, A PATENTLY FALSE ASSERTION (SEE PARA 4).

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THIRD, WOLA/NISGUA SOURCES. THE WOLA/NISGUA  
REP  
ORT HELPFULLY AND CLEARLY CITES THE FOLLOWING  
SOURCES:

(A) CUC: A COMMUNIST-LED AND WFTU (COMMUNIST)-  
SUPPORTED GUATEMALAN CAMPESINO TRADE UNION  
(SEE AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, ABOVE, SAME PARA);

(B) NOTICIAS DE GUATEMALA: A MAGAZINE PUBLISHED IN  
COSTA RICA THAT SUPPORTS THE URNG INSURGENCY  
IN GUATEMALA AND THAT PUBLISHES LISTS OF ALLEGED  
GOVERNMENT MASSACRES. IT ALSO PUBLISHES A  
LIST OF SUCCESSFUL INSURGENCY ACTIONS, REPORTING  
THE DEATHS INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY. (NONE OF  
THE THREE HUMAN RIGHTS CITE ANY OF THESE  
INCIDENTS.)  
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(C) FRENTE POPULAR: AN EXTREME LEFTWING  
GUATEMALAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION;

(D) CCDA (COMITE CAMPESINO DEL ALTIPLANO):  
A COMMUNIST SUPPORT GROUP ORGANIZED BY FAR  
(ONE OF THE GROUPS IN THE INSURGENCY);

(E) URNG (UNIDAD REVOLUCIONARIA NACIONAL  
GUATEMALTECA): THE INSURGENTS' UMBRELLA  
GROUP, THE GOG'S CURRENT OPPOSITION IN THE  
FIELD;

(F) COYUNTURA (LINKED TO THE FDRC, DEMOCRATIC  
FRONT AGAINST REPRESSION): THE FDRC ORGANIZED  
COYUNTURA IN 1979. THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS  
PURPORTEDLY REPRESENT A LARGE GROUP OF LEFTIST  
FORCES, SOME WITH OVERLAPPING MEMBERSHIP.  
THE FDRC REJECTED A GOG JUNE 1982 INVITATION  
OFFERING DIALOGUE WITH REBEL FORCES (REFTEL A),  
CLAIMING THAT THE MOMENT WAS NOT RIPE FOR  
"BROAD AND DEMOCRATIC DISCUSSIONS."

(G) PRESS SOURCES: THE WOLA/NISGUA REPORT  
CITES THREE MEXICAN NEWSPAPERS AND TWO  
GUATEMALAN NEWSPAPERS. INCIDENTS SUPPOSEDLY

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TAKEN FROM THE GUATEMALAN NEWSPAPERS ARE ALMOST INVARIABLY DISTORTED (SEE PARA 4). SINCE THERE WAS NO GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF PRESS REPORTING OF ATROCITIES IN THE MARCH 23 - JUNE 30 PERIOD, THIS DISTORTION IS RATHER STRANGE, AS GUATEMALAN REPORTERS OFTEN WROTE FROM THE SCENE OF MANY OF SUCH INCIDENTS.

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NISGUA ITSELF, OF COURSE, HAS INDICATED IN THE PAST THAT ITS PURPOSE IS TO DEVELOP SUPPORT FOR GUATEMALAN REVOLUTIONARY FORCES. A CONFERENCE NISGUA ORGANIZED IN NOVEMBER 1981 MAKES THIS VERY CLEAR: THIS "NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GUATEMALA" WAS LIMITED TO "ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN OR COMMITTED TO WORKING IN SUPPORT OF THE GUATEMALAN PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE."

EMBASSY'S INFORMATION ON THE GROUPS AND MAGAZINES LISTED ABOVE CAME FROM SOURCES IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN. EMBASSY NOTES THAT THESE GROUPS AND PUBLICATIONS USE SIMILAR RHETORIC AND BUZZWORDS: "GENOCIDAL," "U.S. IMPERIALISM," "SOLIDARITY WITH THE GUATEMALAN PEOPLE," AND THE LIKE. INDEED, THE TONE AND SUBSTANCE OF NOTICIAS DE GUATEMALA DIFFERS BUT SLIGHTLY FROM THAT OF THE INFORMADOR GUERRILLERO PUBLISHED BY THE EGP; IN FACT, IT IS A PUBLICATION IN SUPPORT OF THE URNG. THE INFORMATION RELEASED OR PUBLISHED BY THE GROUPS MENTIONED EVENTUALLY FINDS ITS WAY INTO THE MAINSTREAM PRESS AND INTO VARIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS. WE REPEAT, WE ARE NOT CONVINCED THAT ALL ATROCITY REPORTS BLAMING THE GOG ARE FALSE. NEVERTHELESS, AS IS EVIDENT IN PARA 4, MANY OF THE REPORTS ISSUED BY THE GROUPS LISTED ARE FALSE OR DISTORTED.

4. COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE THREE HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS.

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WHAT FOLLOWS IS A SELECTION OF COMPARISONS OF WHAT EACH HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT SAYS ABOUT A PARTICULAR INCIDENT, WHAT GUATEMALAN PRESS OR OTHER EMBASSY SOURCES SAY ABOUT THAT INCIDENT, AND A CONCLUSION. THE LIST IS SELECTIVE MERELY TO CONSERVE TIME AND SPACE; EMBASSY HAS ANALYZED AND COMPARED EVERY ONE OF THE 145 INCIDENTS IN WOLA/NISGUA, 47 IN CDHG, AND 68 IN AI, AND SELECTS THOSE BELOW TO ILLUSTRATE THE FIVE PRINCIPAL CHARACTERISTICS THAT BECAME APPARENT IN THE ANALYSIS: COMMON SOURCE, "DOUBLE REPORTING" (ONE INCIDENT

REPORTED TWICE OR THREE TIMES AS SEPARATE INCIDENTS), RESPONSIBILITY UNDETERMINABLE, DISTORTION OF PRESS REPORTS, AND INCIDENT UNVERIFIABLE. THE ORDER OF DATES AND CONTENT OF INCIDENT IS KEYED TO THE WOLA/NISGUA REPORT, CONFIDENTIAL

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SINCE IT IS THE LONGEST.

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WOLA/NISGUA: MARCH 24. ALTA VERAPAZ. VILLAGES OF SACATALJI, CRUXMAX, SAN ISIDRO SAMUC, PACAYAS CISIRAM, EL RANCHO ZUIXAL, CHIYUC, IN COBAN TOWNSHIP. 100 PEASANTS KILLED BY ARMY, VILLAGES BURNED AND BOMBED. SOURCE: CUC.

CDHG: REPORTED FOR MARCH 24: NAMES FIRST THREE VILLAGES, NO VICTIMS, BURNED ALL HOUSES. FOR MARCH 24 - 27: NAMES LAS PACAYAS, QUIXAL, CHIYUC. 100 VICTIMS. BOMBED FROM HELICOPTERS. SOURCE: (FOR ALL CDHG CITATIONS) "GUATEMALAN PRESS."

AI: AS IN CDHG, REPORTS AS TWO INCIDENTS OF SAME DATES AS IN CDHG, ADDING THE VILLAGE OF SAMUC DE COBAN FOR MARCH 24, SAYING THE VILLAGES WERE ALL REPORTEDLY BURNED TO THE GROUND; CASUALTY FIGURES ARE "NOT CLEAR." FOR MARCH 24 - 27, AI GIVES LAS PACAYAS, "CISTRAM (OR CISIRAU)," EL RANCHO QUIXAL, AND CHIYUC, SAYING THE VILLAGES WERE BOMBED, LEAVING 100 PEOPLE DEAD. NO SOURCE.

NEWSPAPERS: NO SUCH REPORT, CONTRARY TO CDHG CLAIM.

CONCLUSION: NOTE CUC SOURCE, SHARED LANGUAGE, DOUBLE-REPORTING IN CDHG AND AI, AND LACK OF ANY GUATEMALAN NEWSPAPER REPORT. INCIDENT UNVERIFIABLE, POSSIBLE FABRICATION.  
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WOLA/NISGUA: MARCH 30. QUICHE. CHINIQUE.  
55 PEASANTS MURDERED BY ARMY. SOURCE: CUC.

CDHG: REPORTED FOR APRIL 13. SAME PLACE,  
SAME NUMBER. SOURCE: "GUATEMALAN PRESS."

AI: REPORTED FOR MARCH 30 - APRIL 3. SAME  
PLACE, SAME NUMBER. AUTHORITIES CLAIM ENCOUNTER  
BETWEEN GUERRILLAS AND CIVIL DEFENSE PATROL.

NEWSPAPERS: ARMY REPORTED TERRORISTS KILLED  
OVER 40 PERSONS.

CONCLUSION: CDHG DISTORTION OF PRESS (CDHG  
IMPLIES GOG RESPONSIBILITY; PRESS STATED ARMY  
ATTRIBUTES TO TERRORISTS). AI EVEN-HANDED.  
ACTUAL RESPONSIBILITY UNDETERMINABLE. SEE  
REPTTEL B FOR FULLER DETAILS.

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AI: MARCH 31. CHIMALTENANGO. ESTANCIA DE LA  
VIRGEN, IN SAN MARTIN JILOTEPEQUE TOWNSHIP.  
29 PEASANTS KILLED (15 SHOT, 4 BURNED TO  
DEATH) BY HEAVILY ARMED MEN, MOST HUTS BURNED.  
PEASANT GROUPS BLAME ARMY.

WOLA/NISGUA: NOT CITED FOR THAT DATE, BUT  
SEE APRIL 14, 20 PEASANTS MURDERED BY ARMY.

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SOURCE. EL DIA (MEXICAN).

CDHG: NOT CITED FOR THAT DATE, BUT  
 SEE MARCH 23 FOR ESTANCIA DE LA VIRGEN (SIC),  
 CHICOCON, CHUATALUN (ACTUALLY, CHOATULUM)  
 AND CHIPILA, 250 VICTIMS, HOUSES BURNED, CORN  
 TAKEN (OR BURNED?); SEE ALSO CDHG APRIL 15,  
 ESTANCIA DE LA VIRGEN, SAN MARTIN JILOTEPEQUE,  
 250 VICTIMS (AGAIN?), "CALCULATE THAT SINCE  
 DECEMBER, 1500 KILLED, 175 HOUSES BURNED."  
 APPARENT DOUBLE REPORTING.

SEE ALSO AI AT APRIL 26 - 27, "32 PEASANTS  
 MURDERED IN DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES IN QUICHE  
 AND CHIMALTENANGO; DURING THE LATTER HALF OF  
 APRIL, 27 STRANGLERED IN ESTANCIA DE LA VIRGEN,  
 TIOXIA, CHUATATLUN (SIC), AND CHICOCON, TOWNSHIP  
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OF SAN MARTIN JILOTEPEQUE."

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NEWSPAPERS: NO SUCH REPORT FOR MARCH 31.  
FOR APRIL 14, NEWSPAPERS REPORTED SURVIVORS  
SAID ARMED MEN BURNED ABOUT 150 HOMES.

CONCLUSION: THERE IS NO NEWSPAPER REPORT  
ABOUT MARCH 23 (CDHG), OR MARCH 31 (AI),  
OR APRIL 26 - 27 (AI). IF THE NEWSPAPERS'  
APRIL 14 REPORT IS BACKDATED TO AI'S MARCH 31  
INCIDENT, SURVIVORS BLAMED ARMED MEN, NOT  
ARMY. AT BEST, RESPONSIBILITY UNDETERMINABLE,  
AND CONFUSION OF DATES AND NUMBERS MAKES  
ANY CLEAR PICTURE IMPOSSIBLE. POSSIBLE  
DOUBLE REPORTING BY BOTH CDHG AND AI.

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WOLA/NISGUA: APRIL 2. QUICHE. CHINIQUE.  
12 PEASANTS BEHEADED, VILLAGE BURNED. SOURCE:  
FRENTE POPULAR.

CDHG: REPORTED FOR APRIL 3. GIVES LOCALE  
AS CHINBACHUC, CHINIQUE. 11 VICTIMS.  
SOURCE: "GUATEMALAN PRESS."

AI: ON/ABOUT APRIL 2. GIVES LOCALE AS  
XIMBAXUC, CHINIQUE. ARMED MEN ROBBED, BURNED,  
KILLED 40 CAMPESINOS, INCLUDING MEN, WOMEN, THE  
ELDERLY, AND CHILDREN.

NEWSPAPERS: NO SUCH REPORT.

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CONCLUSION: CONSIDERING THE SOURCE, THE ABSENCE  
OF ANY PRESS REPORT, THE EXPANSION OF NUMBERS  
IN AI, AND THE FACT THAT ALL THREE REPORTS  
CITE THE INCIDENT, EMBASSY CONCLUDES A PROBABLE  
COMMON SOURCE, THAT IS, FRENTE POPULAR;  
INCIDENT UNVERIFIABLE. SEE REPTTEL B FOR  
FULLER DETAILS.

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AI: APRIL 12. QUICHE. SANTA ROSA, CHUBUYUB.

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12 MASSACRED. COMPARE AI APRIL 25, 1963 THE  
SANTA ROSA CHUJUBUJ (SIC), CANTON NAMAJ.  
12 PEASANTS KILLED IN BOMB ATTACK ON LORRY;  
8 NAMED.

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CDHG: NOT CITED FOR EITHER DATE.

NEWSPAPERS: REPORTED ONLY FOR APRIL 25.  
ARMY REPO  
RTED 12 PEASANTS KILLED IN EXPLOSION  
OF CLAYMORE BOMBS. TERRORISTS TOOK FOOD AND  
SUPPLIES.

CONCLUSION: AI IS DOUBLE REPORTING, AND  
DISTORTING TO A MASSACRE (UNATTRIBUTED) AN  
INCIDENT WITH CLEAR GUERRILLA EARMARKS:  
ONLY GUERRILLAS USE CLAYMORE BOMBS.

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WOLA/NISGUA: APRIL 15. QUICHE, SEMJA, CHICHI.  
 20 PEASANTS TIED AND BURNED ALIVE BY THE ARMY.  
 SOURCE: FRENTE POPULAR.

CDHG: SAME DATE. QUICHE. CANTON SEMEJA  
 IDE, CHICHICASTENANGO. 20 VICTIMS, BURNED  
 ALIVE TIED TO THEIR HOUSES. SOURCE:  
 "GUATEMALAN PRESS."

AI: SAME DATE. LOCALE GIVEN AS SEMEJA I  
 IN CHICHICASTENANGO. PEASANT GROUPS CHARGE  
 ARMY TIED 20 VILLAGERS TO THE POLES OF THEIR  
 HOUSES AND BURNED ALIVE.

NEWSPAPERS: ARMY REPORTED 12 VILLAGERS KILLED  
 BY TERRORISTS.

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CONCLUSION: THREE HR REPORTS USE SAME NUMBER  
 OF VICTIMS IN VARIANCE WITH NEWSPAPERS  
 REPORTED BY CDHG AS SOURCE. LIKELY COMMON  
 SOURCE, -THAT IS, FRENTE POPULAR.-

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 WOLA/NISGUA: APRIL 15. CHIMALTENANGO. AGUA  
 CALIENTE. 23 PEASANTS "MURDERS, PERSECUTION,  
 MACHINEGUNNED TO SURVIVORS" (SIC) BY ARMY.  
 SOURCE: FRENTE POPULAR. COMPARE WOLA/NISGUA  
 APRIL 16 - 19, CHIMALTENANGO, AGUA CALIENTE,

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WHOLE POPULATION "MURDER AND BOMBING" BY ARMY.  
SOURCE: DIARIO GRAFICO (GUATEMALAN NEWSPAPER).

CDHG: SAME DATE, SAME PLACE, ADDING SAN JOSE  
POAQUIL. 23 VICTIMS. PURSUED BY HELICOPTER.  
SOURCE: "GUATEMALAN PRESS."

AI: SAME DATE, SAME PLACE (AGUA CALIENTE,  
SAN JOSE PAQUIL TOWNSHIP). ACKNOWLEDGES ARMY  
REPORT OF GUERRILLAS KILLING 14; NOTED "OTHER  
SOURCES" SAY 23 DIED. COMPARE AI APRIL 21,  
AGUA CALIENTE, COMALAPA, 11 PEASANTS KILLED BY  
HOODED MEN.

NEWSPAPERS: FOR APRIL 15, ARMY REPORTED 14  
VILLAGERS KILLED BY TERRORISTS. NO PRESS  
REPORTS FOR APRIL 16 - 19 (AND SPECIFICALLY,  
NO SUCH REPORT IN DIARIO GRAFICO, AS CLAIMED  
BY WOLA/NISGUA); NO PRESS REPORTS FOR APRIL 21.

CONCLUSION: DISTORTION OF PRESS REPORTS FOR  
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APRIL 15 BY CDHG; BLATANT BY WOLA/NISGUA.  
DIARIO GRAFICO NEVER PUBLISHED A REPORT OF THE  
WHOLE POPULATION BEING KILLED, MUCH LESS  
REPORTING THAT THE ARMY DID IT. "OTHER  
SOURCES" MENTIONED BY AI CAN ONLY BE PRENTE  
POPULAR, SEEING THE COINCIDENCE OF THE NUMBER  
23 FOR VICTIMS. BESIDES DISTORTION OF PRESS,  
DOUBLE REPORTING LEADS TO CONCLUSION OF  
POSSIBLE FABRICATION OF THOSE INSTANCES REPEATED.

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WOLA/NISGUA: APRIL 20. PETEN. LA LIBERTAD.  
100 PEASANTS SHOT BY ARMY. SOURCE: URNG.

CDHG: SAME DATE. JOSEFINOS, LA LIBERTAD.  
NO VICTIMS. "ATTACKED FROM ARMORED CARS,  
BURIED IN COMMON GRAVES." (IF THERE WERE NO  
VICTIMS, WHAT DID THEY BURY?) COMPARE CDHG  
APRIL 29. PALESTINA, LA LIBERTAD. 100  
VICTIMS.

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AI: NOTHING CITED.

NEWSPAPERS: NO PRESS REPORTS OF ANY SUCH INCIDENT AT JOSEFINOS. AT PALESTINA, PRESS GAVE ARMY REPORT OF ARMY ATTACK ON TERRORISTS ON APRIL 30, KILLING 4 TERRORISTS AND 1 SOLDIER.

CONCLUSION: REFTEL C ESTABLISHES THROUGH EYEWITNESS THAT NO SUCH INCIDENT TOOK PLACE

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20 PEASANTS MURDERED AND BURNED INSIDE THEIR HOUSES BY PARAMILITARY GROUP. NO SOURCE GIVEN.

CDHG: MAY 10. SAME DEPARTMENT, VILLAGE GIVEN AS FINCA CHIRRIPE, SALAMIN. 20 VICTIMS. SOME CHILDREN. SOURCE: "GUATEMALAN PRESS."

AI: MAY 10. SAME DEPARTMENT, VILLAGE GIVEN  
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AS SALACUIN, NEAR COBAN. 20 KILLED; AUTHORITIES ACCUSE GUERRILLAS.

NEWSPAPERS: ARMY REPORTED THE EGP MASSACRED 20 VILLAGERS, BURNED THEIR HOMES.

CONCLUSION: TV VIDEOTAPE REPORTED IN REPTEL E CONFIRMS EYEWITNESSES BLAMED EGP. THIS INCIDENT CAN CLEARLY BE LAID AT THE DOOR OF THE GUERRILLAS, BUT QUITE THE CONTRARY IS IMPLIED BY WOLA/NISGUA'S USE OF THE TERM "PARAMILITARY GROUP" AND BY THE WHOLE OF THE CDHG REPORT. AI AT LEAST REPORTS THE CONFLICTING ATTRIBUTIONS. WERE IT NOT FOR THE INDEPENDENT EVIDENCE OF THE VIDEOTAPE, EMBASSY WOULD HAVE HAD TO REPORT THIS INCIDENT AS "RESPONSIBILITY UNDETERMINABLE." THE INTENDED DISINFORMATION IS HERE VERY READILY APPARENT.

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WOLA/NISGUA: MAY 26. GUATEMALA CITY.  
KONRAD SCHULTZ, UN OFFICIAL, SHOT BY ARMY.  
SOURCE: EL DIA (MEXICAN).

CDHG: NO CITATION.

AI: NO CITATION.

NEWSPAPERS: ARMY REPORTED SCHULTZ WAS DRIVING TOO FAST LATE AT NIGHT AND WOULD NOT STOP AT MILITARY ORDERS; SOLDIERS SHOT HIM.

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CONCLUSION: THE INCIDENT ITSELF IS TRUTHFUL,  
 AND WOLA/NISGUA FACTS ARE CORRECT. IT IS THE  
 IMPLICATION, HOWEVER, THAT IS DISTORTED: THAT  
 THE GOG ARMY SHOOTS UN OFFICIALS DOWN IN COLD  
 BLOOD.

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 WOLA/NISGUA: MAY 21. QUICHE. ZACUALPA.  
 30 PEASANTS MURDERED BY PARAMILITARY GROUP. SOURCE: PRENSA LIBRE (GU

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ATEMALAN NEWSPAPER).

CDHG: NO CITATION.

AI: NO CITATION.

NEWSPAPERS: ARMY REPORTED 30 TERRORISTS

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KILLED IN ARMED CONFRONTATION. (PRENSA LIBRE)

CONCLUSION: PRENSA LIBRE CLIPPING IS EXACTLY AS REPORTED IN NEWSPAPER ENTRY, IN CONTRAST TO THE 30 "PEASANTS MURDERED BY PARAMILITARY GROUP" WORDING CLAIMED FOR PRENSA LIBRE BY WOLA/NISGUA. AN OBVIOUS DISTORTION.

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WOLA/NISGUA: JUNE 14. QUICHE. NEBAJ.  
ARMY MASSACRED 120 PEASANTS. SOURCE: COYUNTURA.

CDHG: NO CITATION.

AI: SAME DATE, SAME DEPARTMENT. NEBAJ AREA.  
OVER 100 PEASANTS KILLED. AUTHORITIES  
BLAME GUERRILLAS. COMPARE AI FOR NEXT DAY;  
JUNE 15, SAME DEPARTMENT, VILLAGE OF CHACALTE,  
IN CHAJUL, ARMY SAYS EGP KILLED 112, 43 INJURED.  
OTHERCES ALLEGE GOG RESPONSIBILITY.

NEWSPAPERS: EYEWITNESSES REPORTED IN PRESS,  
AND ARMY REPORTS, SAID EGP MASSACRED 120  
VILLAGERS, INCLUDING WOMEN AND CHILDREN,  
IN CHACALTE VLLAGE.

CONCLUSION: REF E LISTING ARMY ALLEGATIONS  
OF GUERRILLA MASSACRES GIVES FIGURES OF 112  
MURDERED, 35 WOUNDED, IN CHACALTE, CHAJUL  
FOR JUNE 14. ON THE STRENGTH OF THE EYEWITNESS  
REPORTS, EMBASSY AGREES THAT EGP WAS RESPONSIBLE.  
WOLA/NISGUA, USING COYUNTURA AS ITS SOURCE,  
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REVERSES THE RESPONSIBILITY; AND AI IS DOUBLE REPORTING IN ITS OWN EVEN-HANDED FASHION(\*OTHER SOURCES\* SEEM TO BE COYUNTURA).

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WOLA/NISGUA: JUNE 19. ALTA VERAPAZ. SAN MARCOS. 20 PEASANTS KILLED (NO ATTRIBUTION AS TO RESPONSIBILITY). SOURCE: COYUNTURA.

CDHG: NO CITATION.

AI: JUNE 17. SAME PLACE. 20 PEASANTS KILLED.

NEWSPAPERS: SURVIVORS REPORTED 50 MEN IN OLIVE-GREEN QUESTIONED, TORTURED, AND KILLED 20 VILLAGERS.

CONCLUSION: ARMY NORMAL UNIFORM IS CAMOUFLAGE. GUERRILLAS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO WEAR OLIVE-GREEN UNIFORMS. EMBASSY ATTRIBUTED INCIDENT TO THE LEFTISTS.

- 5. OMISSIONS FROM THREE HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS:  
- GUERRILLA ACTIONS AND ATROCITIES.

NONE OF THE REPORTS MENTIONED GUERRILLA ACTIONS, EXCEPT WHERE AI PRINTS GOVERNMENT CLAIMS IN FOUR INCIDENTS ONLY. WHILE THE WOLA/NISGUA

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REPORT CITES NOTICIAS DE GUATEMALA AS A SOURCE FOR ALLEGED GOG ATROCITIES, IT IS INTERESTING THAT WOLA/NISGDA DOES NOT MENTION ANY GUERRILLA ACTIONS LISTED BY THIS MOUTHPIECE OF THE URNG AS "SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST" THE GOG. THE JULY EDITION OF THE MAGAZINE CITES 44 ATTACKS ON GOG FORCES BY URNG FORCES IN MAY ALONE, CLAIMING URNG KILLED 124 ENEMY TROOPS FOR CERTAIN, ALONG WITH UNDETERMINED NUMBERS MORE; IT ALSO ASSERTS RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOMBINGS AND OTHER ACTS OF SABOTAGE AND MAYHEM. THE JUNE LIST IS EQUALLY LONG. FAR -- ONE OF THE FOUR INSURGENT GROUPS OF THE URNG -- ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE IN WHICH THEY CLAIMED TO HAVE INFLICTED MORE THAN 50 CASUALTIES ON GOG FORCES FROM APRIL TO JULY. THEY ALSO ASSERT THEY CARRIED

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OUT THREE AMBUSHES, FIVE TAKEOVERS OF FARMS, THREE ACTS OF SABOTAGE, AND SET FIRE TO VEHICLES OR BUILDINGS ON EIGHT OCCASIONS AND EXECUTED 51 ENEMIES. AMONG THESE INCIDENTS THERE APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN VIOLATIONS OF SOME HUMAN RIGHTS, YET HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS SEEM TO IGNORE SUCH VIOLATIONS PRINTED IN THEIR OWN SOURCES. APRIL THROUGH JUNE EMBASSY HUMAN RIGHTS CABLES CITE MANY VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY TIST GROUPS -- SOME 187 IN ALL; THE HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS FOR THE PERIOD IGNORE THEM. AMONG THESE NUMEROUS VIOLATIONS TAKEN FROM PRESS, ARMY, AND POLICE REPORTS, ARE THE FOLLOWING:

MARCH 30. CHIMALTENANGO. SAN MARTIN JILOTEPEQUE. CLAYMORE ATTACK ON ARMY TRUCK KILLED 3 SOLDIERS AND WOUNDED 4.

MARCH 31. SOLOLA. SOLOLA TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS ATTACKED POLICE VEHICLE, KILLING 2.

APRIL 2. HUEHUETENANGO. JACALTENANGO. TERRORISTS AMBUSHED MILITARY PATROL, KILLING 3 SOLDIERS.

APRIL 2. HUEHUETENANGO. SAN MATEO IXTATAN. TERRORISTS AMBUSHED PUBLIC BUS, KILLING A POLICEMAN AND WOUNDING ONE.

APRIL 4. BAJA VERAPAZ. RABINAL. TERRORISTS TOOK OVER VILLAGE, KILLED 13 MEMBERS OF CIVIL DEFENSE PATROL, BURNED HOMES.

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APRIL 4. QUICHE. VILLAGE ALDEA XONCA IN NABAJ. TERRORISTS KILLED 4 PEASANTS AND WOUNDED 3.

APRIL 6. CHIMALTENANGO. SANTA CRUZ BALANYA. TERRORISTS ATTACKED POLICE STATION, DESTROYED POST OFFICE.

APRIL 16. QUICHE. TERRORISTS INVADED

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SANTA CRUZ DEL QUICHE, SHOT AND STABBED TO DEATH 8 INDIANS, INCLUDING A CHILD.

APRIL 20. BAJA VERAPAZ. NIMACABAJ VILLAGE. TERRORISTS EXECUTED AND BEHEADED MILITARY COMMISSIONER AND AUXILIARY MAYOR.

APRIL 21. ALTA VERAPAZ. SENAHU TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS TOOK OVER A COOPERATIVE AND BURNED THEIR WAREHOUSE AND SCHOOL.

APRIL 22. ALTA VERAPAZ. CARCHA TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS BURNED THREE COFFEE FINCAS WITH HEAVY LOSSES.

APRIL 23. HUEHUETENANGO. HUEHUETENANGO TOWNSHIP. EGP MACHINEGUNNED 2 NATIONAL POLICE AND TOOK THEIR WEAPONS.

APRIL 24. HUEHUETENANGO\* HUEHUETENANGO TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS BURNED COFFEE WAREHOUSE AND GAS STATION WITH HEAVY LOSSES.

APRIL 24. SACATEPEQUEZ. SAN MIGUEL DUENAS

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TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS EXECUTED AUXILIARY MAYOR  
 BY MACHINEGUN.

APRIL 25. ESCUINTLA. SAN VINCENTE PACAYA  
 TOWNSHIP. EGP INVADED TOWN, KILLED FORMER  
 MAYOR AND BURNED RESTAURANT.

APRIL 25. GUATEMALA CITY. TERRORISTS MACHINE-  
 GUNNED NATIONAL POLICEMAN.

APRIL 29. GUATEMALA. VILLA CANALES TOWNSHIP.  
 TERRORISTS IN PICKUP EXECUTED 2 NATIONAL  
 POLICEMEN ON MOTORCYCLE.

APRIL 30. ALTA VERAPAZ. CHAMELCO TOWNSHIP.  
 TERRORISTS AMBUSHED AND WOUNDED MAYOR AND  
 FRIEND.  
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APRIL 30. GUATEMALA CITY. EGP ATTACKED POLICE  
 STATION, KILLED A POLICEMAN AND A CIVILIAN.

MAY 2. GUATEMALA CITY. TERRORISTS MACHINEGUNNED  
 POLICE, KILLING ONE AND WOUNDING ONE.

MAY 3. QUICHE. NABAJ TOWNSHIP. EGP CLAIMED  
 THEY SHOT DOWN AN ARMY HELICOPTER ON MAY 1,  
 KILLING 2 OFFICERS.

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MAY 5. SOLOLA. SANTIAGO ATITLAN TOWNSHIP.  
TERRORISTS BURNED THREE FINCAS, KILLED AN  
OWNER AND 4 MILITARY COMMISSIONERS.

MAY 23. CHIMALTENANGO. SAN MARTIN JILOTEPEQUE  
TOWNSHIP. TERRORIST ATTACK ON MILITARY  
PATROL KILLED AN OFFICER AND FIVE SOLDIERS.

MAY 25. ZACAPA. ZACAPA TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS  
EXECUTED AN ARMY LIEUTENANT, WHOSE BODY  
WAS FOUND SHOT AND STRANGLEDHE ROADSIDE  
AT KM. 112.

JUNE 2. QUICHE. CHICHE TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS  
INVADED VILLAGE, KILLED 4 INDIANS, WOUNDED  
4 INDIANS, LOOTED THE VILLAGE AND BURNED  
HOMES.

JUNE 2. SANTA ROSA. TAXISCO TOWNSHIP.  
TERRORISTS TOOK OVER TOROLITA FINCA, WHERE  
THEY HELD A RALLY, KILLED THE FINCA ADMINISTRATOR  
AND WOUNDED A WORKER.  
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JUNE 4. ALTA VERAPAZ. SENAHU TOWNSHIP.  
TERRORISTS TOOK OVER FINCA, KILLED A WORKER,  
BURNED HOME.

JUNE 4. PETEN. SANTA ANA TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS  
KILLED THE MAYOR AND 2 MILITARY COMMISSIONERS,  
BURNED THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

JUNE 8. IZABAL. MORALES TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS  
BURNED A PROTESTANT CHURCH IN LA CUMBRE VILLAGE.

JUNE 11. HUEHUETENANGO. SAN MIGUEL ACATAN  
TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS TOOK OVER VILLAGE,  
HELD A RALLY, WARNED PEOPLE NOT TO LEAVE  
THE AREA.

JUNE 20. CHIMALTENANGO. SAN ANDRES IZTAPA  
TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS TOOK OVER VILLAGE OF  
CHICASANGRE, KILLED 7 INDIANS.

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JUNE 23. GUATEMALA CITY. PGT KIDNAPPED  
RICARDO MENDEZ-RUIZ VALDEZ, SON OF THE  
MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR.

JUNE 23. SUCHITEPEQUEZ. SAN LORENZO TOWNSHIP.  
TERRORISTS MACHINEGUNNED 2 MILITARY COMMISSIONERS.

JUNE 26. ALTA VERAPAZ. COBAN TOWNSHIP.  
TERRORISTS TOOK OVER XILAJ VILLAGE, KILLED 5,

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WOUNDED 10 (ALL INDIANS).

JUNE 26. QUICHE. COTZAL TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS  
TOOK OVER CAJICHAL VILLAGE, KILLED 7 CIVIL  
DEFENSE PATROLMEN AND 2 WOMEN, WOUNDED 2  
OTHERS.

JUNE 29. SUCHITEPEQUEZ. SAN BERNARDINO  
TOWNSHIP. TERRORISTS ATTACKED AND BURNED A  
PUBLIC BUS, KILLING A NATIONAL POLICEMAN AND  
WOUNDING ANOTHER.

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