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SERIAL: (U) IIR [REDACTED]

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BODY

COUNTRY: (U) MEXICO (MX).

SUBJECT: IIR [REDACTED] MEXICAN ARMED FORCES
INVOLVED IN HIGHEST VOLUME CAPTURE OF COCAINE IN SEVERAL
YEARS (U).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DOI: (U) 931005.

REQS: (U) [REDACTED]

SOURCE: (U) A. "EL NACIONAL," NATIONALIST DAILY,
IN SPANISH, 931005, SEC A, P 15.
B. "LA JORNADA," LEFTIST DAILY,
IN SPANISH, 931005, P23.
C. "LA JORNADA," LEFTIST DAILY,
IN SPANISH, 931006, P16.

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2. (U) ON 931003, THE NAVY AND PGR ELEMENTS CAPTURED
8,798 KILOS OF COCAINE NEAR MAZATLAN, SINALOA, MEXICO. A
SHIPPING BOAT, "DANIEL TORRES," WAS BOARDED AT 1500 BY
PJF AND NAVY MEN AND DISCOVERED 268 PACKETS WITH 200
KILOS OF COCAINE. LATER THAT NIGHT THE NAVY, DURING THE
ROUTINE INVESTIGATION OF THE "MARDOQUEO" FISHING BOAT,
DISCOVERED 92 PACKETS WITH 2,098 KILOS OF COCAINE.
FIFTEEN PERSONS WERE DETAINED.

3. (U) LATER THAT DAY THE PJF AND ELEMENTS OF THE
MEXICAN DEFENSE INTERCEPTION GENERAL DIRECTORATE CAPTURED
500 MORE AIR DROPPED KILOS OF COCAINE.

4. (U) IN RELATED INCIDENTS, THE SECNAV ANNOUNCED A
MARIJUANA FIELD DESTRUCTION WHICH ENCOMPASSED 10,000
SQUARE METERS.

5. (U) ADDITIONALLY, ACCOUNTS IN SOURCE B STRESSED THAT
THE MEXICAN ARMY IN CHIAPAS HAD CAUSED GREAT FEAR AMONG
LOCAL TZELTAL INDIANS [REDACTED] ON 930522, THE
ARMY, WHO WAS REPORTEDLY CONDUCTING A SIMILAR CN
OPERATION, WAS FIRED UPON BY "FORTY UNKNOWN PERSONS,"
LATER IDENTIFIED BY THE ARMY AS GUATEMALAN AND MEXICAN
SUBVERSIVES. AFTER CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES, THE
MILITARY SHIPPED IN OVER 3,000 SOLDIERS. GUERRILLA BASE

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CAMPS WERE SOON DISCOVERED AND SOME SUSPECTED GUERRILLAS ARRESTED. CITE IIR [REDACTED] FOR GREATER DETAILS AND A TIMELINE ON THE PREVIOUS OPERATION.) IN THIS INSTANCE THE ARMY ARRIVED BY HELICOPTER BEGINNING AT 1600, 931002, AT LA GARRUCHA, SAN MIGUEL, PATIHUITZ, EL ROSARIO, AND LA ESTRELLA-- THE EXACT AREA WHERE THE PREVIOUS OPERATION TOOK PLACE. OVER 500 MEN ARRIVED AND BEGAN SEARCHES OF THE SURROUNDING AREA. FROM 1800, 931003 UNTIL 0100, 931004, HELICOPTERS BOMBED AND SEARCHED THE AREA AROUND OCOSINGO THEN LANDED AT EL ROSARIO; THREE HELICOPTERS AND ONE SMALL PLANE (PROBABLY AN ARAVA) PARTICIPATED. THERE WERE NO REPORTS OF CIVILIAN HARRASMENT, AND BY 931005 THE MILITARY HAD LEFT. UNNAMED MILITARY SOURCES SAID THAT A PGR AIRCRAFT HAD BEEN FIRED ON, CAUSING THE ARMY'S INVOLVEMENT. THERE WERE NO DETENTIONS, BUT THE MENTIONED 500 KILOS WERE CAPTURED. THE COMMANDER OF THE 31ST MILITARY ZONE, IN THE VII MILITARY REGION, MG GASTON ((MENCHACA)) ARIAS, STATED THAT THE OPERATION HAD ULTIMATELY NETED 7,112 KILOS OF COCAINE, TWO PICK UP TRUCKS DURING THE JOINT OPERATION WITH THE PGR.

COMMENTS: 1. ~~(C/NF)~~ [REDACTED]

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