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SUBJ: DIA WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE FORECAST (WIF), 05 JAN 94 (U)

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(U) STRATEGIC WARNING ISSUES FOR THE COMING WEEK.

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE WARNING STAFF AND ON OCCASION THE VIEWS OF THE NATIONAL WARNING STAFF, US MILITARY SERVICES INTELLIGENCE STAFFS, AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATIONS OF ALLIED NATIONS AFFILIATED WITH THE DOD WARNING SYSTEM CONCERNING POTENTIAL THREATS TO U.S./ALLIED INTERESTS. THE ALLIED INPUTS MIGHT NOT REFLECT DIA OR DOD JUDGEMENTS BUT ARE INCLUDED TO GIVE CONSUMERS AN APPRECIATION OF A RANGE OF VIEWS ON THE ISSUES. THESE ANALYSES DO NOT NECESSARILY FORECAST MOST LIKELY OUTCOMES, BUT SEEK TO IDENTIFY POTENTIALLY HARMFUL EFFECTS WHICH COULD ARISE FROM DEVELOPING SITUATIONS. THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE COVERED IN THIS REPORT:

- A. MEXICO
- B. SOMALIA
- C. FORMER YUGOSLAVIA
- D. CAMBODIA
- E. IVORY COAST
- F. NIGERIA
- G. OTHER AREAS OF CONCERN
- H. LATENT WARNING ISSUE - CHINA-HONG KONG

A. MEXICO - DIA/DIWS ASSESSMENT  
~~(CONF)~~ FURTHER INSURRECTIONIST VIOLENCE IS LIKELY TO OCCUR IN SOUTHERN MEXICO IN THE COMING MONTHS.

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-- THE 1 JANUARY INCIDENT DEMONSTRATED HIGHLY PROFESSIONAL PLANNING, LEADERSHIP, AND OPERATIONAL COMPETENCE OF THE REBEL ZAPATA ARMY OF NATIONAL LIBERATION (EZLN) THAT TOOK CONTROL OF FOUR TOWNS IN CHIAPAS.

-- THE REBELS ARE PROBABLY OPERATING FROM SANCTUARIES ALONG THE GUATEMALA-MEXICO BORDER. THEIR SOURCES OF FUNDING AND EQUIPMENT ARE NOT KNOWN.

-- THE PERVASIVE POVERTY IN THE REGION WILL PROBABLY PROVIDE THE REBEL CADRE AMPLE OPPORTUNITY FOR INCITING THE LOCAL PEASANTRY TO FURTHER ACTS OF VIOLENCE.

~~(C/NF)~~ WHILE THE INSURGENTS ARE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO FACE THE MEXICAN ARMY, NEITHER IS THE ARMY CAPABLE OF ERADICATING THE REBELS IN HIDING. THE GOVERNMENT WILL SEEK TO RESTRAIN THE ARMY TO AVOID LOCAL COMPLAINTS OF ARMY HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE. A STAND-OFF WITH RECURRING VIOLENCE COULD FRIGHTEN FOREIGN INVESTORS AND EMBARRASS THE GOVERNMENT, AFFECTING THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS IN AUGUST. THE GOVERNMENT WILL BEEF UP SECURITY IN THE REGION, AND COULD BE TEMPTED INTO REPRESSIVE TACTICS.

B. SOMALIA - [REDACTED]

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C. FORMER YUGOSLAVIA - DIA/DIWS ASSESSMENT

~~(C/NF)~~ THE CONFLICT IN BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA AND IN THE KRAJINA MAY INTENSIFY THIS SPRING, ESPECIALLY IF KEY MEMBERS OF THE UN PROTECTION FORCE (UNPROFOR) ELECT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE OPERATION.

-- BRITAIN AND CANADA ARE REPORTEDLY CONSIDERING WITHDRAWAL FROM UNPROFOR AND MIXED SIGNALS FROM PARIS SUGGESTS THE FRENCH ARE ALSO THINKING ABOUT PULLING OUT.

-- WITH NO END IN SIGHT TO THE CONFLICT AND CIVILIAN PARTICIPANTS IN RELIEF OPERATIONS CONTINUOUSLY EXPOSED TO LIFE-THREATENING SITUATIONS, THE UNHCR COULD COME UNDER INCREASING PRESSURE TO SUSPEND OPERATIONS IN BOSNIA.

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~~(C/NF)~~ AS SPRING APPROACHES AND FIGHTING AMONG THE WARRING FACTIONS INCREASES, THE DANGER TO MEMBERS OF BOTH THE UNHCR AND UNPROFOR WILL RISE.

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E. IVORY COAST - DIA/DIWS ASSESSMENT

~~(C)~~ FOREIGN REFUGEES ARE BEING BLAMED FOR THE CONTINUED

/\*\*\*\*\* BEGINNING OF SECTION 003 \*\*\*\*\*/

DETERIORATION OF THE IVOIRIAN ECONOMY THAT MAY ULTIMATELY LEAD TO ETHNIC VIOLENCE.

-- THE ECONOMY IS CURRENTLY MARKED BY PUBLIC-SECTOR SALARY ARREARS, LABOR STRIKES, AND PLANTATION ABANDONMENT.

-- THE RAPIDLY DETERIORATING FISCAL SITUATION WILL BE AGGRAVATED BY THE LOOMING REDUCTION IN FRENCH BUDGET SUPPORT AND PRESIDENT BEDIES ECONOMIC REFORMS.

-- THE UNDERPAID, UNDERTRAINED, AND POORLY EQUIPPED IVOIRIAN POLICE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE DIFFICULTY IN STEMMING ANY LARGE-SCALE VIOLENCE AND WOULD REQUIRE AUGMENTATION FROM THE MILITARY.

~~(C)~~ IVOIRIANS HAVE TRADITIONALLY BLAMED THE PRESENCE OF NON-IVOIRIAN AFRICANS (ESPECIALLY FROM BURKINA FASO AND GUINEA) IN THEIR COUNTRY FOR THEIR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL WÖES. AS ECONOMIC DETERIORATION CONTINUES, IVOIRIANS WILL PROBABLY BEGIN BLAMING THE FOREIGN POPULATION, WHICH WILL IN TURN PROBABLY LEAD TO AN INCREASE IN THE ETHNIC TENSIONS ALREADY SHARPENED BY THE LARGE NUMBER OF REFUGEES SEEKING FROM THE CONFLICTS IN LIBERIA AND SIERRA LEONE.

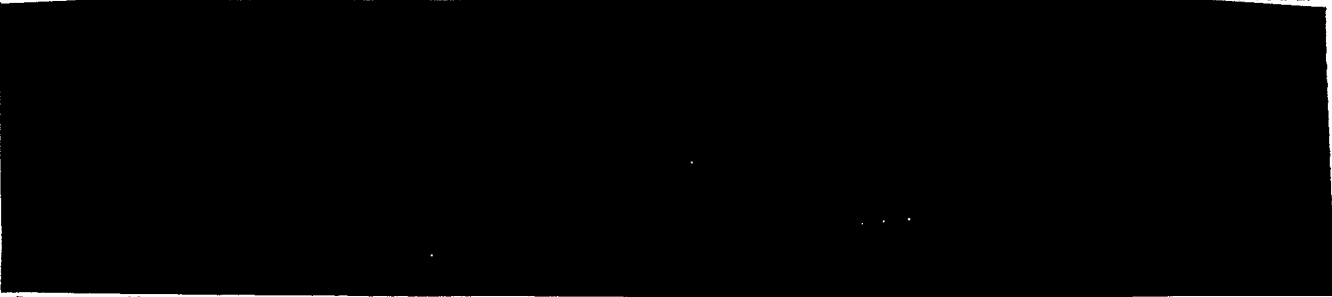
F. NIGERIA

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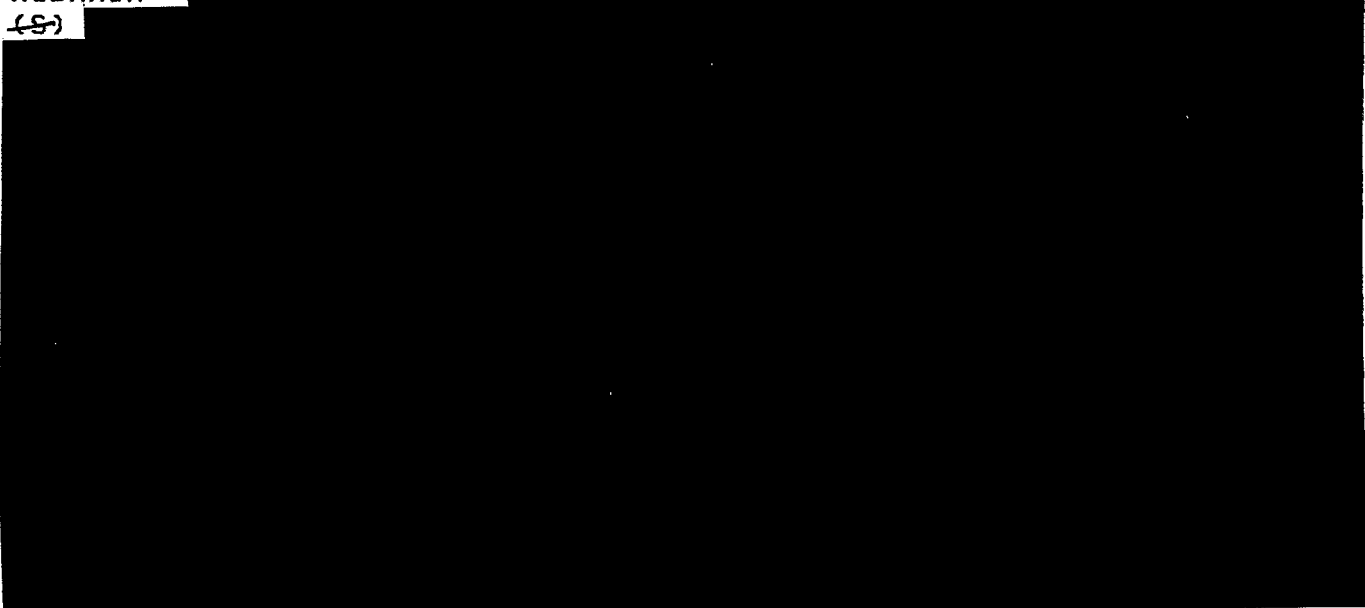


G. OTHER AREAS OF CONCERN

AFGHANISTAN - DIA/DIWS ASSESSMENT

~~(S)~~ OFFICIAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION RELIEF WORKERS IN AFGHANISTAN MAY BE AT INCREASED RISK AS INTERNECINE FIGHTING SPREADS. BATTLES HAVE BEEN RAGING IN KABUL FOR SEVERAL DAYS, COMBAT HAS ERUPTED IN SEVERAL OTHER CITIES, AND FIGHTING MAY SPREAD TO THE COUNTRYSIDE, THEREBY THREATENING RESUMPTION OF A FULL-SCALE CIVIL WAR.

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H. LATENT WARNING ISSUE

CHINA-HONG KONG - DIA/DGWS ASSESSMENT

~~(S)~~ SINO-BRITISH ACRIMONY OVER THE FUTURE OF THE COLONY IS LIKELY TO DEEPEN IN THE COMING WEEKS.

-- THE HONG KONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL BE TAKING UP POLITICAL REFORM PROPOSALS PUT FORWARD BY THE GOVERNOR IN PREPARATION FOR THE FALL 1994 ELECTIONS.

-- THE GOVERNOR IS PROPOSING TO INSTITUTIONALIZE POLITICAL LIBERALIZATION MEASURES WHICH HE HOPES WILL SURVIVE THE TRANSITION OF THE COLONY TO CHINESE SOVEREIGNTY IN JULY 1997.

-- BEIJING SEES THESE EFFORTS AS A THREAT THAT COULD CREATE PRESSURES FOR POLITICAL LIBERALIZATION IN CHINA ITSELF. THE CHINESE HAVE BROKEN OFF TALKS WITH THE BRITISH AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS REFERRED TO AN OLD OBSERVATION BY DENG THAT CHINA MIGHT TAKE CONTROL

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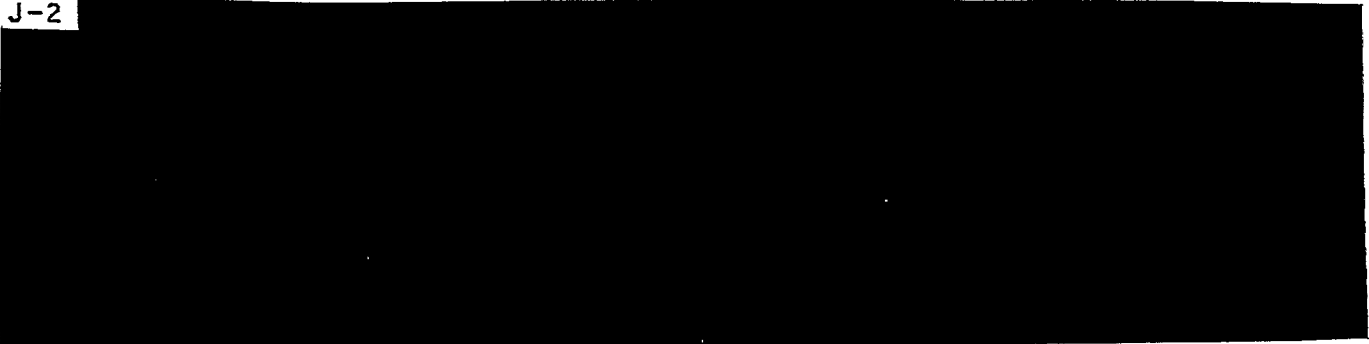
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OF THE COLONY BEFORE 1997 UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.  
~~(S)~~ BEIJING WILL RESIST THE EMPLACEMENT OF LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC  
STRUCTURES/INSTITUTIONS IN HONG KONG. POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC  
RESISTANCE WILL BE USED BY CHINA TO SLOW THEIR ENACTMENT AND  
IMPLEMENTATION. NONETHELESS, LARGE NUMBERS OF WORKERS CROSS INTO THE  
COLONY DAILY WHO COULD BE A SOURCE OF "DISORDER" SHOULD BEIJING FEEL  
IT NECESSARY TO RESORT TO BRINKMANSHIP BY THREATENING INTERVENTION.

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