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SUBJ: IIR [REDACTED] / MILITARY AND POLICE REACTION (b)(2)
TO INCREASED BOMBINGS (U)

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SUMMARY: ~~(C)~~ IT IS NOT BUSINESS AS USUAL IN LIMA IN
THE WAKE OF THE BOMBINGS AND ARMED STRIKE. THE
PERUVIAN ARMY SECOND MILITARY REGION WHICH IS LOCATED
IN LIMA WHICH INCLUDE THE 18TH ARMORED DIVISION AND
THE SPECIAL FORCES DIVISION IS ON 24 HOUR ALERT.

- TEXT: 1. ~~(C)~~ THE PERUVIAN ARMY'S 2ND MILITARY
REGION IN LIMA WHICH INCLUDE THE SPECIAL FORCES
DIVISION AND THE 18TH ARMORED DIVISION IS ON 24 HOUR
ALERT DUE TO THE SITUATION IN LIMA (THIS UNIT IS
OFTEN REFERRED TO AS THE PALACE GUARD.) GENERAL
OFFICERS ARE SUPPOSEDLY STAYING IN THEIR OFFICES.
2. ~~(C)~~ THE POLICE HAVE SET-UP ROAD BLOCKS TO
CHECK/SEARCH VEHICLES ENTERING CERTAIN CRITICAL AREAS.
3. ~~(C)~~ ALSO, GENERAL BRIONES, MINISTER OF INTERIOR
(IN CHARGE OF POLICE AND INTERNAL SECURITY FOR PERU)
CALLED A MEETING ON 23 JULY 92 OF ALL LICENSED
SECURITY AND INTERNAL PROTECTION COMPANIES TO PROPOSE
THAT THE PUBLIC AND SECURITY COMPANIES WORK CLOSER
TOGETHER WITH A COMMON PURPOSE. HE PROPOSED MORE
TRAINING FOR THE PRIVATE GUARDS AND A NEW RADIO
COMMON NET IN WHICH THE PUBLIC FORCE COULD RESPOND
MORE QUICKLY TO THEIR NEEDS.
4. ~~(C)~~ THE SHINING PATH'S (SENDERO LUMINISO (SL))
CAMPAIGN OF TERRORISM HAS CONTINUED IN LIMA WITH
BOMBINGS, INTIMIDATIONS, AND AN ARMED STRIKE. WITH A
APPARENT LUPL AFTER THE BOMBING OF CHANNEL TWO ON 5
JUN 92, AND THE VEHICLE CURFEW IMPOSED FROM 2200
HOURS TO 0500 HOURS, WHICH WAS LATER CHANGED TO 0100
TO 0500 HOURS ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, THE SITUATION
WAS CALMER. ALSO, WITH THE REPORTED RECENT SUCCESSES
OF CAPTURING AND NEUTRALIZING ELEMENTS OF THE SL BY
THE PERUVIAN POLICE AND ARMY, IT WAS THOUGHT BY MANY
THAT THE TIDE MIGHT HAVE TURNED EVENTS FOR THE BETTER
FOR THE GOVERNMENT EFFORT. BUT NOW THE CONSENSUS IS

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THAT TERRORIST ACTS WOULD INCREASE DURING THE PERUVIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY/HOLIDAY PERIOD (28 AND 29 JULY 92.)

5. (c) IT SEEMS THE STRATEGY HAS CHANGED FOR THE SL. NORMALLY, TARGETS WERE BANKS, HIGH RISE BUILDINGS, COMMERCIAL AND MILITARY BASES, POLICE STATIONS, CIVILIAN BUSES AND BUSINESSES IN AFFLUENT AREAS (MIRAFLORES AND SAN ISIDRO) AND DETONATED AT TIMES SO THE BOMBS WOULD DAMAGE BUILDINGS BUT NOT TO GET LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE. IT SEEMS AS IF THIS HAS CHANGED WITH PEOPLE/CASUALTIES/INJURED/KILLED NOT A CONSIDERATION. NOW BOMBS ARE DETONATED AT BUSY TIMES OF THE DAY, TARGETS INCLUDE CHILDREN (MILITARY (b)(2) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - [REDACTED])

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[REDACTED] SMALL BUSINESSES, BUSES AND TAXIS. THE ARMED STRIKE (PARO ARMADO) HAS IMPACTED ON PEOPLE COMING TO WORK, AND TRAVELLING TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT.

6. (c) [REDACTED] STATED ON 24 JULY 92 [REDACTED] THAT THE ARMY IN LIMA HAS BEEN REINFORCED WITH ARMY UNITS FROM OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL [REDACTED] DID NOT SPECIFY FROM WHERE AND SIZE OF UNITS.) THE ARMY HAS FORMED A RING

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OF SOLDIERS WITH BLOCKADES IN CONJUNCTION WITH POLICE TO RANDOMLY SEARCH VEHICLES BOTH ENTERING AND WITHIN LIMA.

7. (c) ALSO, [REDACTED] STATED THE WORST WAS OVER IN LIMA BECAUSE SENDERO LUMINOSO BROUGHT IN OTHER SENDERO' FROM OUTSIDE OF LIMA FOR THE ARMED STRIKE (22-23 JUL 92) AND THEY ARE DEPARTING THE CITY PER HIS INTELLIGENCE OBTAINED UPON THE CAPTURE OF A SENDERO LUMINOSO MEMBER.

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BE INTENSE, IT COULD BE A TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY FOR
THE SL.



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