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LUNINI - A PROBABLE SL GROUP ENTERED THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL OF JUNIN, SETTING OFF EXPLOSIONS IN FRONT OF GOVERNMENT OFFICES, THE POLICE STATION AND BANKS. THE ATTACKERS REPORTEDLY NUMBERED 40 MAY BE 100 (NOTE: PROBABLY EXAGGERATED). NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED. AFTERWARDS THE GROUP RAISED A NEARBY PEASANT COOPERATIVE (CASA CHINDAUCO) AND STOLE 100 SHEEP.

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PASCO - SUSPECTED SL MEMBERS ASSASSINATED JOURNALIST CARLOS MEDRANO IN CERRO DE PASCO.

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LIMA - UNIDENTIFIED ATTACKERS SET OFF A BOMB AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF HUACHO, ABOUT 100 KILOMETERS NORTH OF LIMA. THERE WERE NO INJURIES.

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LIMA - A BOMB EXPLODED IN THE APRISTA PARTY HEADQUARTERS IN BARRANCA, ABOUT 100 KILOMETERS NORTH OF LIMA.

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LIMA - POLICE ARRESTED TWO SL MEMBERS IN A LIMA SLUM.

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LIMA - A POLICEMAN WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED WHEN A BOMB EXPLODED AT NIGHT IN FRONT OF A BANK IN LIMA'S MIRAFLORES DISTRICT.

SEPTEMBER 19

1. (U) THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF TERRORIST AND TERRORIST-RELATED INCIDENTS FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 16-29. WE COMPILED THIS LIST FROM PRESS REPORTS, CONTACTS WITH PERU'S ANTI-TERRORISM POLICE UNIT (DIRCOTE), AND OFFICIAL STATEMENTS BY THE GOP. THESE SOURCES TEND TO UNDER-REPORT INCIDENTS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE, PARTICULARLY IN THE AYACUCHO EMERGENCY ZONE AND THE UPPER HUALLAGA VALLEY (HUV).

AYACUCHO - A BOMB EXPLODED AT THE AYACUCHO CITY RADIO STATION "LA VOZ".

SEPTEMBER 20

2. (U) TWO INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED TOO LATE FOR INCLUSION IN OUR PREVIOUS TERRORISM UPDATE:

AYACUCHO - SUSPECTED SL MEMBERS SHOT A SOLDIER AT A FARMERS' MARKET IN HUANTA AND STOLE HIS AUTOMATIC RIFLE. THE SOLDIER DIED TWO DAYS LATER.

AYACUCHO - UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS THREW A DYNAMITE CHARGE AT A MILITARY VEHICLE IN AYACUCHO CITY. THE BOMB FAILED TO EXPLODE.

SEPTEMBER 21

SEPTEMBER 13: THE MRTA SET OFF TWO BOMBS IN DOWNTOWN AREQUIPA, IN FRONT OF A BANK AND A POLICE CO-OP. NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED.

SEPTEMBER 14: SL BLEW UP ROAD CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT IN TULLPACANCHA, HUANCANELICA DEPARTMENT. NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED.

LIMA - UNIDENTIFIED TERRORISTS KILLED TWO POLICEMEN IN A LIMA LOWER-CLASS NEIGHBORHOOD.

SEPTEMBER 23

3. (U) SEPTEMBER 16
CAJAMARCA - AN SL PATROL REPORTEDLY KILLED 8 PEASANTS AND WOUNDED ONE IN THE COUNTRYSIDE NEAR SAN MIGUEL DE ALGAMARCIA. THE VICTIMS ALLEGEDLY HAD PROVIDED INFORMATION TO THE POLICE.

ISAN MARTINI - UNIDENTIFIED TERRORISTS ATTACKED THE POLICE STATION IN UCHIZA, KILLING TWO POLICEMEN AND WOUNDING THREE. ONE TERRORIST WAS WOUNDED.

LA LIBERTAD - THERE WERE SEVERAL BOMBS IN GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND POULTRY STORES. NO PERSONAL INJURIES WERE REPORTED.

AYACUCHO - A BOMB EXPLODED IN AYACUCHO CITY. NO ONE WAS HURT. THE CAR HAD BEEN STOLEN FROM AN ARMY SERGEANT.

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AYACUCHO - THE APRISTA MAYOR OF THE CAPITAL OF VILCAHUAMAN, MAURO EDUARDO MONTAÑA, WAS ASSASSINATED BY PROBABLE SL MEMBERS. HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER WERE ALSO KILLED. GOVT REPORTS HAD RECEIVED NUMEROUS DEATH THREATS FROM SL.

SEPTEMBER 21

LUNINI - SIX MRTA MEMBERS BROKE INTO A SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF HUANCAYO, AND LECTURED STUDENTS ON MRTA PRINCIPLES. THE TERRORISTS BRIEFLY TOOK THREE STUDENTS HOSTAGE WHILE THEY MADE THEIR GETAWAY.

LIMA - POLICE ARRESTED THREE SUSPECTED TERRORISTS WHO HAD BEEN SURVEILLING THE HOUSE OF EX-UNITED LEFT PRESIDENT ALFONSO BARRANTE. THE SUSPECTS REPORTEDLY HAD REVOLVERS AND SUBMACHINEGUNS.

SEPTEMBER 23

AYACUCHO - AN SL PATROL REPORTEDLY KILLED THREE PEASANTS AND DESTROYED IRRIGATION FACILITIES IN MASINGA.

LANCASHI - POLICE CLAIM THEY KILLED A TERRORIST TRYING TO PLACE A BOMB IN THE STATE TOURIST HOTEL IN CHIMBOTE.

LANCASHI - TWO BOMBS WENT OFF IN CHIMBOTE. NO INJURIES OCCURRED.

AYACUCHO - SL MEMBERS REPORTEDLY KILLED A POLICEMAN AND DAMAGED THE POWER PLANT IN VICHANGO.

SEPTEMBER 26

LIMA - THE MRTA HIJACKED A FOOD TRUCK AND DISTRIBUTED THE CONTENTS IN A LIMA SLUM.

LANCASHI - AN SL PATROL ASSASSINATED THE APRISTA MAYOR OF CATAC, LOCATED IN THE POPULAR CALLEJON DE HUAYLAS RESORT AREA (CORDILLERA BLANCA). A SECOND SL GROUP REPORTEDLY BLEW UP THE ANTENNA OF RADIO STATION "LANCASHI".

SEPTEMBER 24

LUNINI - SL ATTACKED TWO POLICEMEN IN HUANCAYO, KILLING ONE AND WOUNDING THE OTHER.

LIMA - A BOMB WENT OFF IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE OF A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY EXECUTIVE IN THE LIMA SUBURB OF SAN ISIDRO. THERE WAS MATERIAL DAMAGE TO THE RESIDENCE AND NEARBY HOUSES.

SEPTEMBER 25

LIMA - BOMBS EXPLODED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- THE HOUSES OF A BUSINESSMAN AND OF AN INSURANCE COMPANY EXECUTIVE;
- THE BANCO EXTERIOR DE LOS ANDES Y ESPANA;
- THE LIMA STOCK EXCHANGE.

NO OTHER EVENTS.

SEPTEMBER 21: THE COP RENEWED FOR 60 DAYS THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE FOLLOWING 17 DEPARTMENTS:

SEPTEMBER 26

AYACUCHO - FOUR BOMBS EXPLODED IN AYACUCHO CITY; NO PERSONAL INJURIES WERE REPORTED.

AYACUCHO: PROVINCES OF CASILLLO, HUAMPANGA, HUANTA, LA MAR, VICTOR FAJARDO, HUANCASANCOS, VILCAHUAMAN, SUCRE;

APURIMAC: CHINCHEROS PROVINCE;

HUANCAVELICA: PROVINCES OF ACCOBAMBA, ANGARAES, CASTRO-VIRREINA, HUANCAVELICA, TAYACAJA, HUAYTARA, AND CHURCAMPA;

HUANUCO: AMBO PROVINCE AND THE DISTRICT OF MONJON IN HUAMALIES PROVINCE.

ICA - TWO BOMBS EXPLODED IN THE CITY OF ICA DURING THE PRESENTATION OF AN AWARD TO NOTED APRISTA CONGRESSMAN FERNANDO LEON DE VIVERO.

SEPTEMBER 23: FOLLOWING AN UPSURGE IN SL ACTIVITY, THE COP DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR A 60-DAY PERIOD IN FIVE PROVINCES IN APURIMAC DEPARTMENT. AFFECTED ARE THE PROVINCES OF ABANCAY, AYMARAES, ANTARIMBA, ANDAHUAYLAS, AND CRAM. THE POLICE ARE TO ASSUME CONTROL OF ABANCAY PROVINCE, THE REMAINING PROVINCES WILL BE CONTROLLED BY THE ARMED FORCES.

LIMA - LIMA BUSINESSMAN MAXIMO INEDA MATSUMURA WAS KIDNAPPED BY EIGHT PERSONS AS HE LEFT HIS HOME. POLICE BELIEVE THE MRTA WAS RESPONSIBLE, AND THERE ARE NUMEROUS RUMORS THAT A SIZEABLE RANSOM HAS BEEN DEMANDED (SEE COMMENT AT PARA 5).

SEPTEMBER 27

LANCASHI - TWO COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN CASBON SUFFERED MATERIAL DAMAGE FROM AN EXPLOSION.

SEPTEMBER 26: THE POLICE RAIDED A LIMA COGNOUT/ FUNDRAISER FOR THE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION THAT DEFENDS CAPTURED SL MEMBERS. THE POLICE ARRESTED ABOUT 200 PEOPLE; IT RELEASED THE SL LAWYERS PRESENT THE SAME DAY, AND AFTER THREE DAYS EIGHT SUSPECTED TERRORISTS REMAINING IN DETENTION HAD OUTSTANDING WARRANTS FOR THE ARREST OF TERRORISTS. THE PRO-SL PRESS PROTESTED VIOLENTLY, CLAIMING THE POLICE HAD MISTREATED THE DETAINEES AND HAD ARRESTED THEM ARBITRARILY.

AYACUCHO - SL MEMBERS REPORTEDLY KILLED FOUR PEASANTS TRAVELLING FROM HUANTA TO THE FARMERS' MARKET IN LIRIO.

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3 101 COMMENT: THERE WAS A STRONG FEELING OF
 ATTACKS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD, ESPECIALLY IN
 LIMA AND AYACUCHO, PARTICULARLY CONSIDERING THE
 POSSIBILITY THAT TERRORISTS--SUCH AS THE PERUVIAN--
 WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 26 KIDNAPPING OF
 A LIMA BUSINESSMAN. DIRCOTE INFORMS US THEY BELIEVE
 THE MIRA IN FACT CARRIED OUT THE KIDNAPPING, BUT
 THEY LACK DETAILED INFORMATION. THE VICTIM'S
 FAMILY REPORTEDLY IS OBEYING KIDNAPPERS' THREATS
 NOT TO TALK TO THE POLICE. THE DECLARATION
 OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN MOST OF AMERICAN DEPARTMENT
 FOLLOWS A SPECTACULAR SERIES OF 21 ATTACKS THERE
 IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS. THE PLACING OF AYACUCHO PROVINCE
 UNDER POLICE RATHER THAN MILITARY CONTROL REFLECTS A
 GOP PREFERENCE FOR MAINTAINING CIVILIAN AUTHORITY
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