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1. (C) SUMMARY: PRESUMED SENDERO
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 LUMINOSO (SL) GUFRRILLAS BLACKED OUT
 LIMA AND THE CENTRAL COAST NIGHT OF
 NOVEMBER 19. SL ALSO ENTERED THE
 LCCAL NISSAN FACTORY, SETTING IT
 AFIRE, AND CARRIED OUT HIT AND RUN
 DYNAMITE ATTACKS AGAINST GOP INSTAL-
 LATIONS AND THE U.S. EMBASSY.
 SL MEMBERS WERE REPORTED KILLED DURING
 THE NISSAN INCURSION; ONE POLICEMAN
 OUTSIDE THE U.S. EMBASSY WAS WOUNDED
SLIGHTLY. DAMAGE TO THE EMBASSY WAS.
RESTRICTED TO A HOLE IN THE SEDEWALE.
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WINDOWS, AND EXTERIOR LIGHTS. THE ATTACK'S TIMING PROBABLY IS A RESPONSE TO RECENT HEAVILY PUBLICIZED MOVEMENTS CONFIDENTIAL

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IN NORTHERN PERU OF THE RIVAL TUPAC AMARU REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (MRTA) GUERRILLAS. END SUMMARY.

- 2. (U) THE FLACKOUT OCCURRED SHORTLY AFTER & P.M. IN ADDITION TO LIMA, THE ELACKOUT EXTENDED AS FAR SOUTH AS NAZCA AND AS FAR NORTH AS CHICLAYO. AFTER SERVICE WAS RESTORED INITIALLY TO LIMA, ABOUT FORTY FIVE MINUTES LATER, ANOTHER FLACKOUT HIT THE CITY AT ABOUT 12 P.M. (IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER BECAUSE OF SL ACTION OR TECHNICAL REASONS). MOST FARTS OF LIMA HAD FLECTRICITY PESTORED BY MIDNIGHT.
- 3. (U) FOLLOWING THE BLACKOUT, THE CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL PAGE 23 LIMA 14229 21 OF 22 192256Z GUERRILLAS CARRIED OUT OTHER ATTACKS. A REPORTED 30 SL MEMBERS HIJACKED A NISSAN COMPANY BUS AND ENTERED THE NISSAN INSTALLATION. ONE OF THE SL MEMBERS REPORTEDLY WAS DRESSED AS A POLICEMAN. THE SUBVERSIVES SET FIRE TO PARTS OF THE PLANT (DAMAGE ESTIMATES UNAVAILABLE). IN A SUBSEQUENT SHOOTOUT, FOUR SL MEMBERS REPORTEDLY WERE KILLED BY POLICE, AND ONE OR TWO WERE CAPTURED.
- 4. (U) MEANWHILE, SL MEMBERS IN CARS
 THREW SMALL DYNAMITE CHARGES AT BUILDINGS
 THROUGHOUT THE CITY. ONE CHARGE
 EXPLODED IN FRONT OF THE U.S. EMBASSY
 (REF A). INJURING A POLICEMAN SLIGHTLY
 AND OPENING A HOLE IN THE SIDEWALK
 IN FRONT OF THE FUILDING. OTHER
 BOMBS WENT OFF AT THE HEALTH AND JUSTICE
 MINISTRIES. A BANCO CONTINENTAL OFFICE, AND
 THE HOTEL RIVIERA; TWO BOMBS REPORTEDLY
 EXPLODED IN THE LIMA SUBURBS. NO

INJURIES WERE REPORTED.

5. (C) COMMENT: THE ATTACKS BEVE ALL
THE HALLMARKS OF AN SL LIMA OPERATION:
A BLACKOUT, COORDINATED BOMBINGS, AND
THE ABSENCE OF MESSAGES TO THE PRESS TO
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(THE MRTA ALMOST ALWAYS TAKES CREDIT FOR ITS ATTACKS IMMEDIATELY). THE CONFIDENTIAL

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   COMPANY AND OTHER INDUSTRIAL CONCERNS
   IN PREVIOUS YEARS. THE BOMBINGS OF
   THE HEALTH AND JUSTICE MINISTRIES
   COINCIDE WITH STRIKES AT THOSE
   INSTITUTIONS AND APPEAR TO BE A BID
   FOR LABOR SUPPORT. (THIS SHOULD BE
   VIEWED IN THE CONTEXT OF INCREASED
   SL INTEREST DURING 1985-87 IN URBAN
   SUPPORT -- SEE LIMA 6577.) THE ATTACK
   AGAINST THE U.S. EMBASSY WAS NOTHING.
NEW FOR SL, BUT ITS INCLUSION AT THIS
   TIME MAY REPRESENT & RESPONSE TO THE
    META'S EMPHASIS ON ANTI-IMPERIALISM.
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PRINTER 112722 PRINTER FA 6. (C) THE ATTACKS APPEAR TIMED TO RESPOND TO THE RIVAL MRTA'S HEAVILY PUBLICIZED GUERRILLA INCURSIONS IN SAN MARTIN DEPARTMENT THIS MONTH. THE RANGE OF THE ATTACKS AND THE INCLUSION OF FOREIGN TARGETS WILL ACHIEVE BROAD PUBLICITY. THE ATTACKS OCCURRED ON THE EVE OF THE INAUGURA-TION OF THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (ANP). A MAJOR CONVENTION OF MARXIST PEASANT, LABOR, AND URBAN GROUPS WHOSE SUPPORT IS CONTESTED BY THE TRADI-TIONAL LEFT, AS WELL AS THE MRTA. IN RECENT DAYS, THE PRO-SL PRESS HAS CRITICIZED BOTH THE MRTA AND THE ANP FOR NOT ADDRESSING THE "QUESTION OF POWER" AND FOR WORKING PEACEFULLY WITHIN A CAPITALIST SYSTEM. SL'S CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL LIMA 14009 02 OF 02 1923012 PAGE 03 MESSAGE IS THAT SL REMAINS A POTENT FIGHTING FORCE AND THE ONLY ONE CAPABLE OF MEANINGFUL CHANGE. WATSON

