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... CAMPUS WHILE THE RALLY ... ORGANIZER OF THE ... PARTY AND THE JOURNALISTS AND RALLY PARTICIPANTS. ... ACCORDING TO PRESS ESTIMATES, THE RALLY ITSELF WAS UNEVENTFUL I. E., NO VIOLENCE, BUT THE FACT THAT IT TOOK PLACE BROKE NEW GROUND IN SENDERO'S MOVE TOWARD MORE PUBLIC ACTIVITY. IN A DEFENSIVE PUBLIC STATEMENT, SAN MARCOS RECTOR JORGE REY DEL CASTRO DENOUNCED SENDERO'S INTRUSION INTO THE CAMPUS, WHICH HE SAID WAS IN NO WAY COUNTERANDED BY UNIVERSITY AUTHORITIES.

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4. POLICE AND MILITARY UNITS CORDED OFF THE CAMPUS AND ARRESTED 23 INDIVIDUALS CARRYING DYNAMITE AND RADICAL PROPAGANDA. AGES OF THOSE ARRESTED RANGED UP TO 35. COP LINE ON THE ANNIVERSARY AND ITS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IS THAT IMPROVING INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES ALLOWED THE GOVERNMENT TO FOIL A TERRORIST PLAN TO CAUSE WIDESPREAD VIOLENCE. RADICAL PRESS HAS REACTED WITH PREDICTABLE RIDICULE, LAUGHING THAT INTERIOR MINISTER SALINAS "DOVE INTO AN EMPTY SWIMMING POOL" AND THAT HE WAS THE ONLY TERRORIST IN LIMA. LEFTIST CHARGES HAVE COME ECHO AMONG THE PUBLIC, AS PERUVIANS WE SAW OVER THE WEEKEND WERE INCLINED TO SHAKE THEIR HEADS OVER THE SALINAS ANNOUNCEMENT. PRESIDENT GARCIA HAS COME RAPIDLY TO THE DEFENSE OF SALINAS, HOWEVER, BEING QUOTED IN SUNDAY'S PAPERS AS SAYING SALINAS' ACTION WAS ENTIRELY APPROPRIATE AND INDICATED BY THE INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION THE GOVERNMENT HAD.

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5. COMMENT: WE HOPE TO LEARN WHETHER THOSE ARRESTED ARE SENDERO "MILITANTS." EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: PRISON RIOTS ANNIVERSARY PASSES WITHOUT TERRORIST INCIDENT

REMAINS IN HIGH STATE OF SECURITY ALERT.

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2. SUMMARY: THE JUNE 18-19 ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1986 PRISON RIOTS PASSED WITHOUT ANY TERRORIST INCIDENTS. POLICE ARRESTED 23 INDIVIDUALS JUNE 19 IN THE VICINITY OF SAN MARCOS UNIVERSITY, WHERE SENDERO LUMINOSO HAD HELD RALLY HOURS EARLIER. POLICE DID NOT ATTEMPT TO ENTER THE UNIVERSITY WHILE RALLY WAS IN PROGRESS. INTERIOR MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT JUNE 19 PREDICTING TERRORIST VIOLENCE HAD RESULT OF VIRTUALLY CLOSING DOWN THE CITY THAT NIGHT. RADICAL LEFTIST OPPOSITION IS RIDICULING THE GOP FOR HAVING "TERRORIZED" THE POPULATION; THE GOP IS CLAIMING THAT GOOD POLICE WORK AND PREEMPTIVE ACTION FOILED A TERRORIST PLAN. PRESIDENT GARCIA HAS PUBLICLY DEFENDED INTERIOR MINISTER SALINAS FOR HIS MANAGEMENT OF THE SITUATION. END SUMMARY.

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3. EXCEPT FOR THE SENDERO LUMINOSO RALLY AT SAN MARCOS UNIVERSITY FRIDAY, JUNE 19 WHICH WAS NOT VIOLENT, HOWEVER, THE JUNE 18-19 ANNIVERSARY OF LAST YEAR'S PRISON RIOTS PASSED WITHOUT TERRORIST INCIDENTS. TRAFFIC ON THE CITY FRIDAY NIGHT WAS CONSIDERABLY SLOWED FOLLOWING THE INTERIOR MINISTER'S (WATTEL) PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT (FRIDAY AFTERNOON WATTEL) THAT TERRORIST VIOLENCE WAS EXPECTED THAT EVENING. POLICE APPARENTLY MADE NO EFFORT