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INTERNAL SECURITY) CLOSED DOWN EXPOSED STATIONS, AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES FLED FROM THE HIGHLANDS. CIVIL AUTHORITY IN THE REGION "CAME TO ALMOST COMPLETE COLLAPSE." GIVEN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, AN UNPROTECTED POPULATION "HAD NO ALTERNATIVE THAN TO ACCOMMODATE ITSELF TO THE DE FACTO POWER (OF THE TERRORISTS)." IRONICALLY, THE SENDERISTAS THEMSELVES DID LITTLE IN 1981-82 TO PROPAGATE THEIR CAUSE, THE COMMISSION QUALIFYING SL EFFORTS TO THIS END AS "WEAK AND SPORADIC."

E. SECURITY FORCES COMMITTED ERRORS AND ABUSES BUT UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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DID NOT SYSTEMATICALLY VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS. THE COMMISSION REJECTED WIDESPREAD CHARGES FROM THE EAR LEFT THAT THE

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SINCHIS ARE EMPLOYING ILLEGAL AND ABUSIVE MEASURES IN THE ANTI-TERRORIST CAMPAIGN. WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT "THE CATALOGUE OF COMPLAINTS IS LARGE AND PAINFUL," THE COMMISSION FOUND THAT POLICE BEHAVIOR IMPROVED SUBSTANTIALLY WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF THE ARMED FORCES INTO THE EMERGENCY ZONE IN JANUARY.

3. STATISTICAL BALANCE

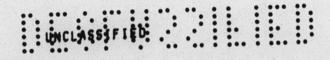
THE COMMISSION INCLUDED IN ITS REPORT A SUMMARY OF REPORTED CASUALTIES INCURRED IN THE COURSE OF SENDERO'S "ARMED STRUGGLE" (AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1

29 CIVIL GUARDS
2 PIP (INVESTIGATIVE POLICE)
6 REPUBLICAN GUARDS
1 SOLDIER
9 CIVIL AUTHORITIES
71 CIVILIANS
48 SENDERISTAS

THE COMMISSION NOTED THAT THE TOLL HAS FALLEN MOST HEAVILY ON "INNOCENTS," FOR THE MOST PART POOR VILLAGERS WHOSE MISFORTUNE IT WAS TO LIVE IN A ZONE CAUGHT UP WHOSE MISFORTUNE IT WAS TO LIVE IN A ZONE CAUGHT UP IN A FIGHT BETWEEN THE TERRORISTS AND SECURITY FORCES. IN A FIGHT BETWEEN THE THE PACE HAS QUICKENED, AND CIVILIAN DEATHS SINCE 1982 THE PACE HAS QUICKENED, AND CIVILIAN DEATHS NOW ARE WELL OVER 100. (COMMISSION MEMBER VARGAS LLOSA ADDED, IN A MARCH 6 INTERVIEW, THAT HE BELIEVES THE OFFICIALLY REPORTED TOLL UNDERSTATES THE TRUE EXTENT OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE. INCIDENTS ARE OCCURRING IN REMOTE VILLAGES WHERE NO OFFICIAL PRESENCE UNCLASSIFIED

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IS FELT, AND GOVERNMENT FORCES HAVE NO WAY OF GUAGING THE EXTENT OF THIS UNREPORTED VIOLENCE.)



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