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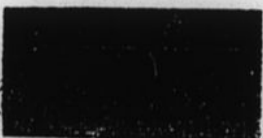
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1. (U) PRESUMED SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) TERRORISTS
CARRIED OUT SEVERAL ATTACKS IN LIMA ON THE NIGHT OF
OCTOBER 7. PRINCIPAL TARGET WAS SIX APRA PARTY
OFFICES ON OUTSKIRTS OF LIMA. HARDEST HIT WAS PARTY
OFFICE IN VILLA EL SALVADOR, WHERE TERRORISTS FIRED
INTO LECTURE ROOM, KILLING FOUR PERSONS AND WOUNDING
SEVERAL MORE. TERRORISTS ALSO LEFT EXPLOSIVE DEVICES
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AT ALL SIX OFFICES, WHICH CAUSED VARYING AMOUNTS OF

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DAMAGE BUT APPARENTLY NO ADDITIONAL CASUALTIES. A BOMB ALSO WENT OFF AT A BANCO DE CREDITO OFFICE IN CALLAO. TERRORISTS ALSO REPORTEDLY ATTEMPTED TO BLOW UP ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION TOWERS NEAR LIMA, BUT FAILED TO CAUSE A MAJOR BLACKOUT. BONFIRES IN THE SHAPE OF A HAMMER AND SICKLE WERE REPORTED ON ONE HILL NEAR LIMA. ATTACKS SHOCKED GOP AND APRA OFFICIALS, AND WERE CONDEMNED BY POLITICIANS RANGING FROM CONSERVATIVE TO MARXIST.

2. (C) COMMENT: ATTACKS FOLLOWED CAR BOMB EXPLOSION AT IBM OFFICE EARLIER ON OCTOBER 7, FOR WHICH SL PROBABLY WAS ALSO RESPONSIBLE (REFTEL). SECURITY FORCES HAD REPORREVIOUSLY THAT SL MIGHT CARRY OUT ATTACKS IN THE PERIOD LEADING UP TO OCTOBER 7, WHICH IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PERUVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (WHICH SL CLAIMS TO REPRESENT). UNLIKE PREVIOUS SL ATTACKS IN JULY AND AUGUST ON APRA OFFICES, ON THIS OCCASION SL TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO KILL PARTY MEMBERS, PERHAPS IN RETAILIATION FOR THE OCTOBER 4 DEATHS OF 30 SL INMATES AT LURIGANCHO PRISON (SEPTTEL). WE DO NOT RULE OUT ADDITIONAL SL REPRISALS AGAINST GOP AND APRA IN CONNECTION WITH LURIGANCHO, HOWEVER. OCTOBER 7 ATTACKS MAY FORESHADOW INCREASE IN SL CHOICE OF NON-MILITARY OR POLICE TARGETS IN LIMA, A DEVELOPMENT THAT COULD

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