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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS: PTER, SHUM, PE  
SUBJECT: ALLEGED SENDERISTA MASS SURRENDER IN AYACUCHO

1. (U) THE ARMED FORCES ANNOUNCED ON OCTOBER 22 THAT 115 SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) TERRORISTS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS SURRENDERED TO PERUVIAN MARINES IN THE VILLAGE OF LLOCHEGUA (LA MAR PROVINCE, AYACHUCHO DEPARTMENT). THE GROUP INCLUDES 51 MEN AND 64 WOMEN; ACCOMPANYING THE GROUP WERE 59 CHILDREN. GROUP MEMBERS ASKED THE MARINES TO ASSIST THEM IN RETURNING TO THEIR FARMS.

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2. (C) COMMENT: IF TRUE, THIS WOULD BE THE FIRST

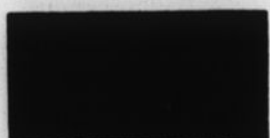
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TIME THAT A GROUP OF SL TERRORISTS HAS SURRENDERED TO THE AUTHORITIES. IT WOULD ALSO BE ONE OF THE FEW INSTANCES IN WHICH THE SECURITY FORCES HAVE REPORTED THE CAPTURE OF SL MEMBERS IN THE EMERGENCY ZONE. MASS SURRENDER COULD INDICATE SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITHIN SL. HOWEVER, WE CANNOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY THAT SUPPOSED TERRORISTS MAY HAVE LITTLE OR NO CONNECTION TO SL, AND RECOMMEND THAT END-USERS TAKE THIS REPORT WITH A GRAIN OF SALT.  
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