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REF: RSO LIMA - DS/CC (SWANKOWSKI).TELCON. 2/21/86

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1. SUMMARY: ON THE NIGHT OF FEBRUARY 21, 1986, TERRORISTS LAUNCHED A SERIES OF ATTACKS AGAINST DIPLOMATIC AND OTHER TARGETS IN THE CITY OF LIMA. ONE SMALL DYNAMITE CHARGE WAS THROWN AT THE U.S. CHANCERY, BUT DID LITTLE MORE THAN CHIP THE CONCRETE OF THE SIDEWALK. THERE WERE NO INJURIES AS A RESULT OF THIS ATTACK. ONE PERUVIAN POLICEMAN WAS SHOT AT THE INDIAN EMBASSY. POLICE HAVE AS YET MADE NO ARRESTS OF ANY TERRORISTS INVOLVED IN THE ATTACKS. GOP POLICE ARE ASCRIBING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACKS TO THE SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL). END SUMMARY.

2. BETWEEN 10:00 AND 10:15PM (APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS PRIOR TO LIMA'S 1:00AM CURFEW), 2/21/86, PRESUMED SL TERRORISTS CARRIED OUT A SERIES OF ATTACKS AT SCATTERED POINTS IN THE METROPOLITAN LIMA AREA. DYNAMITE BOMBS THROWN FROM MOVING VEHICLES WERE DIRECTED AGAINST SEVERAL FOREIGN EMBASSIES, RULING APRA PARTY OFFICES, AND THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (INAP). NEWSPAPER REPORTS VARY WIDELY REGARDING THE NUMBER AND IDENTITIES OF EMBASSY AND APRA TARGETS, BUT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM ATTACKS DIRECTED AGAINST THE EMBASSIES OF THE UNITED STATES, WEST GERMANY, AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC). ONE POLICEMAN ON DUTY OUTSIDE OF THE EMBASSY OF INDIA WAS GUNNED DOWN BY OCCUPANTS OF A PASSING VEHICLE, AND IS LISTED IN CRITICAL CONDITION. WE ARE UNABLE AT THIS POINT TO CONFIRM REPORTED ATTACKS AGAINST THE EMBASSIES OF SPAIN AND ARGENTINA, BUT CONTACT WITH THE BRITISH DEFENSE ATTACHE HAS RESULTED IN A DENIAL OF ANY ATTACK DIRECTED AGAINST THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM (WHICH HAD ALSO BEEN REPORTED IN THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FEB. 22 PRESS). APRA OFFICES LOCATED IN THE SUBURBS OF MAGDALENA DEL MAR AND SAN MIGUEL WERE SUBJECTED TO DYNAMITE BOMBINGS, AS WAS THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (INAP) IN DOWNTOWN LIMA. THE ONLY CASUALTY KNOWN AT THE PRESENT TIME IS THE POLICEMAN SHOT AT THE INDIAN EMBASSY. POLICE HAVE INFORMED US THAT NO ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE AS OF THIS POINT. DUE TO THE METHOD AND SCOPE OF THE ATTACKS, AS WELL AS THE DELIBERATE SHOOTING OF THE POLICE OFFICER, GOP AUTHORITIES ARE ASCRIBING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE INCI-

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DENTS TO THE SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL).

3. THE DAMAGE TO THE U.S. CHANCERY AREA WAS MINIMAL. THE BOMB DETONATED ON THE CURB OF THE PERIMETER SIDEWALK, CHIPPING A SIX-INCH STRIP OF CONCRETE FROM THE CURB, BUT CAUSING NO OTHER DAMAGE. DAMAGE AT SEVERAL OF THE OTHER INCIDENT SITES APPEARS TO BE GREATER THAN THAT SUSTAINED AT OUR LOCATION. AFTER THE EXPLOSION, A FEW MINUTES OF CONFUSION RESULTED FROM POLICE FORCES DISCHARGING THEIR WEAPONS INTO THE AIR, APPARENTLY IN AN EFFORT TO DETER ANY OTHER WOULD-BE ATTACKERS.

4. (LOU) COMMENT: AS FEBRUARY 22 IS THE 91ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF APRA FOUNDER VICTOR RAUL HAYA DE LA TORRE, THE ATTACKS MAY BE VIEWED AS YET ANOTHER DIRECT STAB AT PRESIDENT GARCIA'S GOVERNMENT, AS WELL AS A CHALLENGE TO THE GOP'S DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE LIMA/CALLAO AREA. COMING ON THE HEELS OF A SERIES OF ASSASSINATIONS/ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATIONS OF SENIOR POLICE AND MILITARY OFFICERS OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, THE ATTACKS OF LAST NIGHT APPEAR TO UNDERSCORE BOTH THE SL'S CAPABILITY AND INTENT OF CARRYING OUT TERRORIST ACTIONS IN THE CAPITAL. END COMMENT. JORDAN

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