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 FM AMEMBASSY LIMA
 TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0813
 INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA
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 E.C. 12356: DFCL: OADR
 TAGS: PTER, PHUM, FINS, ASEC, MILI, PE
 SUBJECT: WAR MINISTER REVIEWS SECURITY SITUATION, HINTS
 AT EXPANDED EMERGENCY ZONE FOR PUNC
 REFS: (A) LIMA 3354, (E) LIMA 3397

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1. (U) FOLLOWING AN APRIL 1 MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT, WAR MINISTER GENERAL JOSE FLORES TORRES GAVE OVERVIEW OF SECURITY SITUATION AND SUGGESTED EMERGENCY ZONE MIGHT BE EXPANDED. FLORES LAUDED THE EXTENSION OF THE LIMA/CALLAO EMERGENCY ZONE AND CURTEA (REFUGES), WHICH HE SAID HAD

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 PERMITTED IMPORTANT ADVANCES AGAINST TERRORISTS. HE SAID THAT SL WAS BEHIND RECENT LABOR VIOLENCE AMONG MINERS IN PASCO DEPARTMENT. HE CLAIMED THAT SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY IN AYACUCHO HAD DIMINISHED, AND THAT SEVERAL LUMINOSO (SL) HAD RESPONDED BY MOVING PERSONNEL NORTH AND SOUTH. FLORES BELIEVED THE POLICE COULD HANDLE SL IN THE

NORTHERN DEPARTMENTS OF LA LIBERTAD, AND CAJAMARCA. HOWEVER, HE SAID THE ARMED FORCES JOINT COMMAND SHOULD STUDY DESIRABILITY OF IMPOSING STATE OF EMERGENCY (AND HENCE MILITARY CONTROL) IN THE PROVINCES OF AYACUCHO AND TACNA IN THE SOUTHERN DEPARTMENT OF PUNC.

2. (C) COMMENT:

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MUST NOW BE CONSIDERED. HUNDO S. AZANGARO AND
MELGAR PROVINCES REPORTEDLY HAVE BEEN THE OBJECT OF
SI PROSECUTING FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS. IN THE PAST
TH. MONTHS, THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF BOMBINGS REPORTED
IN PROVINCIAL CAPITALS, AS WELL AS ASSASSINATIONS OF
LOCAL OFFICIALS IN SMALLER TOWNS. THE VICE PREFECT OF HUN
DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS IMPOSITION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY,
DECRYING FACT THAT POLICE HAVE ONLY 18 MEN TO CONTROL
DEPARTMENT'S TWO MOST TROUBLESOME PROVINCES. WE HAVE
ALSO RECEIVED REPORTS THAT POLICE HAVE CLOSED POSTS IN SOME
TOWNS FOR REASONS OF SAFETY, A PATTERN OBSERVED IN AYACUCH
DEPARTMENT IN THE 1982-82 PERIOD (AND WHICH F

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3. (C) BALANCING DESIRABILITY OF ANY MOVE TOWARD
EXPANDING THE AREA UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY ARE
SEVERAL FACTORS. THE FIRST IS THAT

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