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SUBJECT: TERRORISTS ATTACK SOVIET EMBASSY COMPOUND IN LIMA
1. (U) AT APPROXIMATELY 1845 HOURS

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(F)
ATTACK. ONE TERRORIST WAS REPORTEDLY
KILLED BY POLICE, AND ONE CAPTURED. AT LEAST ONE OTHER TERRORIST
(FEMALE) ESCAPED, AND POLICE BELIEVE THAT ADDITIONAL PERSONS
MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE ATTEMPT. POLICE HAVE ADVISED
THAT THE FEMALE ESCAPED INSIDE THE LOBBY OF THE CONSULAR
ENTRANCE. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION CONCERNING DAMAGE OR
CASUALTIES WHICH MAY HAVE RESULTED FROM THE ATTACK.

2. (C)

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WE BELIEVE THAT THREE ARMED INDIVIDUALS, TWO MALE AND ONE FEMALE,
APPROACHED THE ENTRANCE TO THE CONSULAR SECTION, PRODUCED FIREARMS,
AND COVERED THE TWO PERUVIAN POLICEMEN WHO WERE GUARDING THE

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FACILITY. ONE OF THE MEN WHO... CHARACTERIZED AS BEING THE EXPLOSIVE COMPONENT LOCALLY REFERRED TO AS "RUSSIAN CHEESE," A SHORT DISTANCE INTO THE LOBBY WHERE IT EXPLODED. AS A RESULT OF THE CONCUSSIVE EFFECTS OF THE BLAST, WHICH APPARENTLY TEMPORARILY DISORIENTED THE TERRORISTS, THE TWO PERUVIAN POLICEMEN ENGAGED THE TERRORISTS IN A GUN FIGHT, KILLING THE MAN WHO THREW THE BOMB AND CAUSING ONE OTHER MAN. THE FEMALE SUCCEEDED IN ESCAPING, AND POLICE BELIEVE THAT ADDITIONAL TERRORISTS MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT IN SUPPORTING ROLES. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN FURTHER DETAILS AS TO ANY DAMAGES/CASUALTIES RESULTING FROM THE BLAST ITSELF.

3. (C) COMMENT: THE TWO PREVIOUS ATTACKS DIRECTED AGAINST SOVIET FACILITIES HAVE, IN OUR OPINION, BEEN CONDUCTED BY THE SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL). THE JULY, 1984, ATTACK AGAINST THE OFFICES OF AEROFLOT, AND THE JULY 4, 1988, BOMBING OF THE SOVIET CULTURAL CENTER ALL BORE SL HALLMARKS. IT SEEMS LOGICAL

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THAT, IN VIEW OF RECENT BOMBING ATTACKS AGAINST OTHER FOREIGN EMBASSIES IN LIMA, INCLUDING THOSE OF ITALY AND THE IEC, THE SL DESIRES TO CONTINUE THEIR MULTI-FACETED CAMPAIGN TO HARASS, INTIMIDATE, AND OTHERWISE EMBARRASS THE GARCIA GOVERNMENT BY ANY AND ALL AVAILABLE MEANS. JORDAN

NOTE: (*) OMISSION PARA 1, CORRECTION TO FOLLOW.

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