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 SUBJECT: SIX SOVIET SAILORS INJURED IN TERRORIST
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 REFS: (A) LIMA 7821. (B) LIMA 7853. (C) LIMA 8513 V
   (U) A DYNAMITE CHARGE EXPLODED AT ABOUT 5:20 P.M.
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 AUGUST 32 IN A STORE THAT CATERS TO SOVIET
 FISHING FLEET PERSONNEL IN THE CALLAO PORT DISTRICT.
 WOUNDING SIX SOVIET SAILORS. THE SAILOR MOST SEVERELY
 INJURED REPORTEDLY LOST AN EYF, ARM, AND BOTH LEGS.
     (C) POLICE ASSUME SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) WAS
RESPONSIBLE. INITIAL POLICE ANALYSIS OF THE AREA
 AFFECTED SEEMED TO INDICATE THAT THE DEVICE WAS A
 DYNAMITE BOMB PLACED BY A MAN AND A WOMAN SEEN IN
 THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY JUST PRIOR TO THE EXPLOSION.
 POLICE HAVE NOT DETAINED ANY SUSPECTS, HOWEVER.
     (U) THE SOVIET EMBASSY ESSUED A COMMUNIQUE
IN WHICH IT "ENERGETICALLY CONDEMNS THIS KIND OF.
 ACT CARRIED OUT BY ENEMIES OF THE BROTHER COUNTRY OF PERU, AND SAID IT HAS CONFIDENCE IN THE PERUVIAN
 POLICE INVESTIGATIONS
                        OF THIS ATTACK. LOCAL PRESS
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CONFIDENTIAL DAMESTALED MOSCOW THAT ALSO CARRIED AN AFP STORY, DATELINED MOSCOW, THAT REPORTS SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY DELIVERED A "PROTEST TO THE PERUVIAN EMBASSY ON THE ATTACK. REPORT CLAIMED SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD ISSUED STATEMENT THAT ATTACK "WAS THE WORK OF FORCES THAT DESIRE TO COMPLICATE SOVIET-PERUVIAN RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP.

(C) COMMENT: WE BELIEVE ATTACK AGAINST SOVIET SAILORS WAS WORK OF SL, WHICH BOMBED SOVIET-PERUVIAN FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY JULY 4 (REF A), SOVIET EMBASSY JULY 8 (REF E), AND AEROFLOT OFFICE JULY 22 (RFF C). IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER SL SOUGHT TO ESCALATE ATTACKS --THIS IS THE FIRST KNOWN CASE OF SOVIET CITIZEN INJURIES --OR IF INJURED WERE IN THE WRONG PLACE AT THE WRONG TIME. YOULE CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL PAGE Ø3 LIMA 10235 Ø31323Z CONFIDENTIAL