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 TAGS: PTER, PGOV, SNAR, PE
 SUBJECT: NEW MINISTER OF WAR JULIA SPEAKS OUT

1. (U) GENERAL JULIAN (JULIA) FREYRE, NEWLY-DESIGNATED MINISTER OF WAR, SPOKE OUT ON NUMBER OF TOPICS IN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN OCTOBER 22 ISSUE OF RESPECTED WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINE "CARETAS". JULIA, WHOSE PREVIOUS POSITION AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF PERUVIAN ARMY GIVES HIM GOOD PERSPECTIVE ON TERRORISM ISSUE, WAS CHARACTERISTICALLY STRAIGHT-FORWARD IN RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS ON THAT SUBJECT. ASKED ABOUT ALLEGED INTERNATIONAL TIES OF SENDERO LUMINOSO, JULIA AGREED THAT SENDERO MAY POSSIBLY BE RECEIVING SOME AID FROM ABROAD IN TERMS OF PROPAGANDA. BUT HE STATED THAT "TO THIS MOMENT" HE HAS SEEN NO EVIDENCE THAT SL IS RECEIVING ANY INTERNATIONAL HELP IN TERMS OF ARMS, RECRUITS OR SUPPLIES. PRESSED ON ISSUE, HE REITERATED THAT THERE IS NO PROOF THAT SENDERO HAS ANY INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

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OR THAT THERE IS ANY COORDINATING CENTER ABROAD, SUCH

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AS SOME PERUVIAN OFFICIALS RECENTLY SUGGESTED EXISTS IN LONDON. HE ALSO DENIED THAT ANY PROOF EXISTS OF TIES BETWEEN TERRORISTS AND NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS, ADDING THAT THE TWO SEEMED TO BE INDIFFERENT TO EACH OTHER. HE ADMITTED THAT FOR REASONS OF LOCAL EXPEDIENCY, SOME COORDINATION MAY OCCUR ON THE GROUND IN CERTAIN LOCALITIES, BUT STATED THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF SUCH UNDERSTANDING AT HIGHER LEVELS.

2. (C) COMMENT:

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