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1. (C) SUMMARY: LATE ON JULY 20, SENDERO LUMINOSEO CAR BOMBS HIDRO CARBAJAL IN LIMA'S MIRAFLORES DISTRICT, KILLING FIVE PEOPLE AND INJURING AT LEAST 15. DE SOTO WAS AT HIS OFFICE, BUT WAS NOT INJURED. ON JULY 19, ANOTHER SL CAR BOMB IN LIMA FAILED TO FULLY EXPLODE AND POLICE IN HUANCAYO DEACTIVATED A CAR BOMB OUTSIDE A POWER COMPANY OFFICE. LATE JULY 20 UNIDENTIFIED GUARDS SHOT AND WOUNDED THE DEFENSE LAWYER OF JAILLED SENDERO LEADER OSSA MOROT. END SUMMARY.

SENDERO CAR BOMBS ILD

2. (U) AT 20:00 ON JULY 20 SENDERO LUMINOSEO (SL) CAR BOMBS HIDRO CARBAJAL IN LIMA'S MIRAFLORES DISTRICT. THE ESTIMATED 100 KILO CAR BOMB KILLED A CONTRACT GUARD AND FOUR OTHER PEOPLE, INCLUDING A YOUNG GIRL PLAYING NEAR THE
BUILDING, AND INJURED AT LEAST 15 OTHERS. THE INSTITUTE, SOMETHO METERS FROM THE MAJOR MIRAFLORES EXPLOSION ON JULY 16, WAS BADLY DAMAGED, AS WERE SURROUNDING BUILDINGS. THE BOMB WAS APPARENTLY ONLY DYNAMITE WITHOUT THE USUAL AMMUNITION CARRIAGE ENHANCER. ANFO REPORTS CONFIDENTIAL

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INDICATE TERRORISTS FIRED AT THE ILG GUARDS JUST BEFORE THE EXPLOSION.

3. (U) HERMANO DE SOTO LED THE PRESS THROUGH HIS DAMAGED INSTITUTE LATER ON JULY 20, PUTTING A POSITIVE SPIN ON THE BLAST. DE SOTO PITCHED HIS JULY 13 CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM/ELECTORAL INITIATIVE (REF 4) AND CALLED FOR "REAL DEMOCRACY" AS THE BEST WAY TO DEFEAT TERRORISM.

4. (U) NON-IMMIGRANT VISA PROCESSING WAS SUSPENDED FOR THE DAY AT THE CONSULATE (THREE BLOCKS AWAY) DUE TO DANGER OF FALLING GLASS SHARDS FROM FLOORS ABOVE THE CONSULATE; OTHER CONSULAR SERVICES REMAIN UNINTERUPTED. A USAID EMPLOYEE AND HIS WIFE, IN TRANSIENT QUARTERS NEAR THE BLAST, WERE MOVED TO ALTERNATE QUARTERS. THEIR APARTMENT WINDOWS WERE BLOWN IN, BUT THEY WERE NOT INJURED. ONE AMCIT RESIDENT IN LIMA WAS HOSPITALIZED WITH LACERATIONS TO HER LEGS. CONOFFS VISITED HER EARLY JULY 21.

OTHER SL CAP BOMB FAIL: RAILROAD BRIDGE DAMAGED

5. (U) AT 1730 ON JULY 19 AN SL CAR BOMB PARTIALLY EXPLODED INSIDE A BUS COMPANY DEPOT IN LIMA'S SAN LUIS NEIGHBORHOOD. THE BOOSTER DYNAMITE EXPLODED BUT FAILED TO SET OFF 200 KILOS OF ANFO. THE TERRORISTS FLED IN A WAITING

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CAR. ACCORDING TO THE MEDIA, POLICE IN HUANCAYO DEACTIVATED A 400 KILO DYNAMITE/ANFO CAR BOMB PARKED OUTSIDE A POWER COMPANY OFFICE.

6. (U) SENDERO BOMBS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED A RAILROAD BRIDGE ON THE LIMA-HUANCAYO LINE ON JULY 19. THE RAIL COMPANY SUSPENDED TRAIN TRAVEL OVER THE BRIDGE. SENDERO ALSO BOMBED ANOTHER NEARBY BRIDGE ON THE SAME LINE BUT CAUSED ONLY LIGHT DAMAGE. SENDERO'S LAWYER SHOT

7. (U) TWO UNIDENTIFIED GUNMEN SHOT SENDERO
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LEADER OSMA ORUITE'S DEFENSE LAWYER AT ABOUT
20:00 ON JULY 20. LAWYER JORGE CARTAGENA VARGAS
WAS REPORTEDLY WORKING IN HIS OFFICE IN CENTRAL
LIMA WHEN HE WAS ATTACKED. DOCTORS AT LIMA'S
DO'S DE MAYO HOSPITAL STATED CARTAGENA "WAS OUT
OF DANGERT.
JULY 16 BOMBINGS COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH WORSE

9. (C) POLICE BOMB SQUAD CONFIRMED TO EMBOFFS
THAT A 300 KILO CAR BOMB WAS DISCOVERED AND
DEACTIVATED ON JULY 16 ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM THE
MIRAFLORES BOMBS THAT NIGHT. THE CAR BOMB WAS
PARKED ON ONE OF LIMA'S PRIME COMMERCIAL/NIGHT
LIFE STRIPS IN FRONT OF LIMA'S UP-SCALE LAS
AMERICAS HOTEL. HAD THE BOMB EXPLODED, IT WOULD
HAVE BRACKETED THE BLOCK AND HAVE MULTIPLIED
CASUALTIES AND DAMAGE.
COMMENT

9. (C) SENDERRE'S TERROR CAMPAIGN CONTINUES
LARGELY UNECHECKED. THE GOP'S INABILITY TO
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COUNTER SEIDOU'S ATTACKS WILL ALSO FAIL TO
REASSURE BUS DRIVERS AND OTHER KEY SECTIONS OF
THE POPULATION (SUCH AS SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE
PUEBLOS JUVENES) THAT IT IS WORTH THE RISK TO
OBEY SEIDOU'S JULY 22-23 AGED STRIKE. END
COMMENT. QUINTE.}

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