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1. (U) CLASSIFIED BY WHA AA/S PETER F. ROMERO. REASON:
   1.5(D).

2. (S) IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL AND IN LIGHT OF
   DEVELOPMENTS IN PERU OVER THE WEEKEND, FOLLOWING IS
   CURRENT GUIDANCE ON U.S. POLICY TOWARDS THE GOVERNMENT OF
   PERU. AMBASSADOR IS REQUESTED TO SEEK A MEETING WITH
   PRESIDENT FUJIMORI AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE TO CONVEY USG
   SUPPORT FOR THE MEASURES ANNOUNCED ON SEPTEMBER 16,
   DRAWING UPON POINTS BELOW. AS APPROPRIATE, AMBASSADOR MAY
   ALSO DRAW UPON THE FOLLOWING POINTS IN DISCUSSING U.S.
   POLICY WITH OTHER INTERLOCUTORS.
3. (S) DEALING WITH MONTESINOS: MONTESINOS NO LONGER HOLDS ANY POSITION WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT OF PERU AND HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM OFFICE AT THE DIRECT ORDER OF PRESIDENT FUJIMORI. AMBASSADOR MAY NOTE THAT THE UNITED STATES ACCEPTS AND FULLY SUPPORTS FUJIMORI'S DECISION AND THAT WE NO LONGER VIEW MONTESINOS AS HAVING ANY ROLE IN THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT. FURTHERMORE, THERE SHOULD BE NO USG CONTACTS WITH MONTESINOS.

5. (SBU) SUPPORT FOR FUJIMORI ANNOUNCEMENT: AMBASSADOR MAY NOTE THAT THE UNITED STATES WELCOMES AND SUPPORTS THE THREE DECISIONS ANNOUNCED BY PRESIDENT FUJIMORI ON SEPTEMBER 16: A CALL FOR NEW ELECTIONS, A PLEDGE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THOSE ELECTIONS, AND THE DECISION TO DEACTIVATE THE SIN.

6. (SBU) CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR OAS SPECIAL MISSION TO PERU: THE OAS ROLE IN PERU IS MORE IMPORTANT NOW THAN EVER. THE NATIONAL DIALOGUE FACILITATED BY THE OAS IS THE ONLY AVAILABLE FORUM FOR NEGOTIATING AND MANAGING THE POLITICAL TRANSITION. AMBASSADOR MAY NOTE THAT THE UNITED STATES STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE CONTINUED EFFORTS OF THE OAS MISSION IN PERU TO PROMOTE DEMOCRATIC REFORM. HE MAY ALSO NOTE THAT WE BELIEVE THE OAS MISSION SHOULD BE A KEY PLAYER IN ENSURING FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND A DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION. HE SHOULD CALL ON ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE OAS PROCESS TO REAFFIRM THEIR COMMITMENT TO IT WITHOUT CONDITIONS.

7. (S) CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT ON COUNTERNARCOTICS: AMBASSADOR SHOULD ASSURE THE GOP THE UNITED STATES WILL
CONTINUE ITS ENGAGEMENT WITH LEGITIMATE AGENCIES OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF PERU ON COUNTERNARCOTICS PROGRAMS.
COUNTERDRUG PROGRAMS SHOULD BE CONTINUED DIRECTLY WITH
E.G., THE PERUVIAN NATIONAL POLICE, THE PERUVIAN MILITARY,
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AND CONTRADROGAS.

8. (C) CHIEF OF MISSION AUTHORITY: ON THE BASIS OF
THIS GUIDANCE, AMBASSADOR IS AUTHORIZED TO APPROVE AT POST
THE DETAILS OF IMPLEMENTATION AND DISSEMINATION OF THIS
POLICY.
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