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CONTINUES TERRORISM WAVE

REFS: A) LIMA 9655, B) LIMA 9515

1. (C) SUMMARY: LATE ON JULY 20, SENDERO LUMINOSO CAR BOMBED HERNANDO DE SOTO'S ILD THINK TANK 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 GUNMEN SHOT AND WOUNDED THE DEFENSE LAWYER OF JAILED SENDERO LEADER OSMAN MOROTE. END SUMMARY.

SENDERO CAR BOMBS ILD

2. (U) AT 20:00 ON JULY 20 SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) CAR BOMBED HERNANDO DE SOTO'S DEMOCRACY AND LIBERTY INSTITUTE (ILD) IN LIMA'S EXCLUSIVE MIRAFLORES DISTRICT. THE ESTIMATED 100 KILO CAR BOMB KILLED A CONTRACT GUARD AND FOUR OTHER PEOPLE, INCLUDING A YOUNG GIRL PLAYING NEAR THE

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BUILDING, AND INJURED AT LEAST 15 OTHERS. THE INSTITUTE, SOME 500 METERS FROM THE MAJOR MIRAFLORES BOMBING ON JULY 16, WAS BADLY DAMAGED, AS WERE SURROUNDING BUILDINGS. THE BOMB WAS APPARENTLY ONLY DYNAMITE WITHOUT THE USUAL AMMONIUM NITRATE ENHANCER, ANFO. REPORTS

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

3. (U) HERNANDO 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 REFORMELECTORAL INITIATIVE (REF B) 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 UNINTERRUPTED. 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 CAR BOMB FAIL; RAILROAD BRIDGE DAMAGED

5. (U) AT 17:30 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 KILD 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. SENDERISTA'S LAWYER SHOT

7. (U) TWO UNIDENTIFIED GUNMEN SHOT SENDERO

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LEADER OSMAN MOROTE'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 DCS DE MAYO HOSPITAL STATED CARTAGENA "WAS OUT OF DANGER."

JULY 16 BOMBINGS COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH WORSE

8. (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) SENDERO'S TERROR CAMPAIGN CONTINUES LARGELY UNCHECKED. THE GOP'S INABILITY TO

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COUNTER SENOERO'S ATTACKS WILL ALSO FAIL TO REASSURE BUS DRIVERS AND OTHER KEY SECTIONS OF THE POPULATION (SUCH AS SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE PUEBLOS JOVENES.) THAT IT IS WORTH THE RISK TO DEFY SENOERO'S JULY 22-23 APPEAL STRIKE. END COMMENT. QUINTE

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