1. COUNTRY: ARGENTINA (AR)

3. TITLE: Terrorism - Terrorist Explosive Detonation Device (Dryer Timer) (U)

5. DATE OF INFORMATION: 791013

7. DATE & PLACE OF ACQUISITION: 791013, Buenos Aires, Argentina


11. REQUEST EVALUATION NO. OPO: (country)


15. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NO FORM can be applied to prevent disclosure of sensitive collection methods utilized

16. SUMMARY: (S/NOFOR) This report forwards a clothes dryer timing device manufactured in Argentina that is utilized by terrorist groups to detonate explosives.
22. (c)(2)(I) DETAILS: a. Source, while at ______ provided a timing device normally used on an Argentine produced clothes dryer. This particular device was manufactured by the "Controls Company of America - Industria Argentina" and is so inscribed on the bottom of the device.

b. Source explained to ______ that this timing device (which is readily available in Argentina) was the primary timer used as a detonating device on explosives for the "Monteneros" and "ERP" terrorists groups in Argentina. Source stated that the timer provided ______ was, in fact, captured along with other timers and explosives during a counter-terrorist operation against a terrorist explosives factory in the Argentine Army 5th Corps area of operation (NFI).

c. Source indicated that the most common use of this specific device was in conjunction with a wooden box laden with explosives. Source indicated that the box was normally constructed in two sections - the bottom section contained the explosives; and the top section contained the batteries and timer which provided the electrical charge to detonate the explosives.

(c)(2)(I) COMMENT: ______ Sec. 2.3(b)(1)

His reporting in the past has been extremely reliable.