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SUBJECT: NOVEMBER 23 ECUADOR MEDIA REACTION:
ORGAN TRANSPLANT TRAFFICKING
REF: USIA 56472
1. STORIES BASED ON THE DOCUMENTARY FILMS ON
ORGAN TRAFFICKING MENTIONED IN REFTEL HAVE
APPEARED IN THE NOVEMBER 22 EDITION OF
GUAYAQUIL'S "EL TELEGRAFO" (CONSERVATIVE, CIRC.
40,000) IN A NEWS COLUMN PRINTED IN ENGLISH (A
REGULAR EL TELEGRAFO FEATURE), AND IN A FULL
PAGE STORY WHICH APPEARED ON THE LEAD PAGE OF
THE COMMENTARY SECTION OF THE NOVEMBER 23
EDITION OF GUAYAQUIL'S "EL UNIVERSO"
(CENTER-RIGHT, CIRC. 145,000). THE "EL
UNIVERSO" FEATURE WAS AN EFE WIRE SERVICE STORY
BASED ON THE PROGRAMS. NEITHER STORY BROUGHT UP
THE ISSUE OF "BABY PARTS" NOR MENTIONED THE
UNITED STATES. SELECTED QUOTES FROM THE "EL
UNIVERSO" ARTICLE FOLLOW:
2. QUOTE: "THE PROGRAM REVEALS THAT IN THESE
COUNTRIES NUMEROUS CHILDREN HAVE BEEN MURDERED
TO EXTRACT THEIR ORGANS AND BODY PARTS.
SIMILARLY, DECEASED PATIENTS IN HOSPITALS HAVE
HAD ORGANS EXTRACTED WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE FAMILY."

"(ARGENTINIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY UNDER SECRETARY
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, ZELMIRA REGAZZOLI) CONFIRMED
THAT, 'BEGINNING MANY YEARS AGO, CHILDREN HAVE
BEEN KIDNAPPED TO STEAL THEIR ORGANS, NOT ONLY
IN ARGENTINA, BUT IN THE ENTIRE AMERICAN
CONTINENT.'"

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