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BODY

COUNTRY: (C) REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES (RP).

SUBJECT: IMMINENT OPERATION AGAINST CPP

LEADERSHIP: (U)

WARNING: (C) THIS IS AN INTELLIGENCE REPORT, NOT FINALLY EVALUATED INTELLIGENCE. (U)

SERIAL: (U)
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TEXT: 1. ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF PREPARATION FOR LAUNCHING AN OPERATION AGAINST THE TOP LEADERSHIP OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES (CPP) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, OR POLITICAL. INTELLIGENCE SERVICE OF THE AFP (ISAFP) OPERATIVES IN NORTHERN LUZON ARE INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION WHICH IS TARGETING BONYTO ((TIMANO)), THE NORTHERN LUZON COMMISSION CHIEF, LEO ((VELASCO)) AND SEVERAL OTHER HIGH LEVEL OFFICIALS IN THE CPP HIERARCHY. ISAFP HAS PINPOINTED THE LOCATION FOR A PLENARY MEETING OF THE CPP TO BE CONDUCTED WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.

REASON: TIMING OF THE OPERATION IS DEPENDENT UPON PRESENCE OF THE "BIG FISH" AND COULD HAPPEN WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOURS. HE RATES THE OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCCESS OF THIS IMPENDING OPERATION AGAINST THE CPP AS "VERY GOOD."

2. ON THE STRATEGY OF THE CPP/NEW PEOPLES ARMY (NPA) FOR CONDUCTING TERRORIST ACTS AGAINST AMERICANS AS A RESULT OF THE MT. PINATUBO Eruption. His information suggests the NPA in Region 4 has been hard-hit by the volcano's Eruption. As a result, the threat posed to the Bases and Americans in the vicinity of the Bases has been significantly reduced. However, THE THREAT TO AMERICANS AND U.S. FACILITIES WILL LOCALIZE IN THE METRO-MANILA AREA. PREVIOUSLY, THE BASES THEMSELVES WERE REPORTING TO THE TARGETS FOR MORTAR ATTACKS OR ASSASSINATIONS OF U.S. PERSONNEL GOING TO/FROM THE BASES. NOW, THE NPA MAY FOCUS THEIR PRIMARY EFFORTS ON U.S. FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL IN MANILA.

COMMENTS: 1. "The NPA is preparing to launch a major operation against the CPP. Top CPP leaders are potential targets. Focus of NPA terrorist activity may shift to Metro Manila as a result of the Mt. Pinatubo impact on the bases."