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COUNTRY: (U) **ARGENTINA (AR)**; CHILE (CI).

SUBJ: IIR (b)(3):10 USC 424 CHILE PARTICIPATES IN ARGENTINE ARMY'S INFANTRY DAY FOR THE FIRST TIME (U)

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TEXT: 1. (U) THE CHILEAN ARMY SENT A DELEGATION OF FOUR OFFICERS (ALL FIRST LIEUTENANTS) AND TWO NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ARGENTINE ARMY'S (ARGARM) ANNUAL INFANTRY DAY CELEBRATION AT THE LICEO MILITAR (MILITARY HIGH SCHOOL) "GENERAL ESPEJO" IN THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL OF MENDOZA (b)(3):10 USC 424

(b)(3):10 USC 424 THE DELEGATION INCLUDED A COLOR GUARD FOR THE CHILEAN FLAG WHICH PARADED ALONGSIDE THE ARGENTINE COLORS, SHARING THE PLACE OF HONOR IN THE REVIEW. THIS MARKS THE FIRST SUCH COMBINED PARTICIPATION BY THE CHILEAN ARMY IN AN ARGARM CEREMONY

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OF THIS NATURE AND IMPORTANCE IN RECENT MEMORY.

2. (U) THE DAY-LONG FESTIVITIES WERE HOSTED BY THE EIGHTH INFANTRY BRIGADE, HEADQUARTERED IN MENDOZA, AND WERE ATTENDED BY SEVERAL THOUSAND HIGH RANKING MILITARY AND CIVILIAN DIGNITARIES, RETIRED MILITARY OFFICERS, ACTIVE DUTY INFANTRY OFFICERS, INFANTRY UNIT REPRESENTATIVES, AND FAMILIES/FRIENDS FROM ALL OVER ARGENTINA. PRESIDING OVER THE EVENTS WERE GENERALS **MARTIN ANTONIO ((BALZA))**, THE ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF, **MARIO CANDIDO ((DIAZ))**, THE CHIEF OF THE ARGENTINE JOINT STAFF, AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE PROVINCE OF MENDOZA. THE ENTIRE CELEBRATION WAS COVERED EXTENSIVELY BY THE ARGENTINE MEDIA.

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