Defense Analysis Report

16 August 2002

(C) Subject: Pakistani Support for Kashmiri Militants (25 July – 15 Aug 2002)

1. (C) Purpose: Provide updated information on Pakistani support for Kashmiri militants and to assess Indian intelligence perceptions of Pakistani support.

2. (U) Key Points:

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Militant-Initiated Incidents in Kashmir
(Open-Source Reporting)

Militant-Initiated Incidents Weekly
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Analysis of Open Press Reporting on Militant-Initiated Attacks:

- The numbers of reported attacks remain relatively constant, with a slight decrease over the past three weeks (a decrease of only five, not significant enough to denote a "trend").
- One large-scale attack occurred on 6 August against Hindu Amarnath pilgrims in Kashmir. Militants lobbed grenades and fired automatic weapons at a camp early in the morning. There were nine killed, 31 injured.
- Attacks against National Conference members and individuals associated with upcoming Kashmir elections continued in order to discourage participation in election.
- Six grenades tossed at security forces that missed their target and injured at least 10 civilians (up to 31 in one incident) in the past 3 weeks. Indicative of continuing lack of concern for civilian casualties.
- Majority of attacks are against security forces, however; politicians, informers, and pilgrims are also likely targets.