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SUBJECT: GUN TYPES IDENTIFIED IN TRISAKTI KILLINGS (U)
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SOURCE: (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "JAKARTA POST", JAKARTA, INDONESIA, 990601, IN ENGLISH.

SUMMARY: (U) CANADIAN BALLISTICS REPORT REVEALS GUN TYPES USED DURING TRISAKTI KILLINGS.

TEXT: 1. (U) FORENSIC BALLISTIC EXPERTS IN CANADA HAVE REVEALED THAT TWO BULLETS TAKEN FROM THE BODIES OF TWO STUDENTS AND ANOTHER FOUND OUTSIDE A TRISAKTI UNIVERSITY BUILDING WERE FIRED FROM SS-1 AND STEYR AUG-P RIFLES. THE BULLETS WERE RECOVERED NOT LONG AFTER THE MAY 12, 1998 FATAL SHOOTING IN WHICH FOUR STUDENTS WERE KILLED. THOSE KILLINGS LED TO THE DEVASTATING RIOTS WHICH ROCKED JAKARTA AND LED TO THE DOWNFALL OF THE SOEHARITO GOVERNMENT NINE DAYS LATER.

2. (U) THE BALLISTICS TESTS WERE CONDUCTED IN CANADA @S MIKE + ((MCLEARN)) AND A DY ((BOYLE)) FROM FORENSIC TECHNOLOGIES WAI INC. THE COMPANY UTILIZED THE INTEGRATED BALLISTIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM. AN INDONESIAN TEAM, WHICH INCLUDED THREE INDONESIAN STUDENTS, ACCOMPANIED THE THREE BULLETS (ALONG WITH FORTY-SIX OTHERS OF VARIOUS TYPES) TO CANADA TO OVERSEE THE BALLISTICS TESTS.

3. (U) BASICAL BALLISTIC TESTS WERE NO FROM THE TESTS CONDUCTNTH AF TER THE SHOOTINGS. HAN GOVERNMENT HAS + NOT YET @E TS CONDUCTED IN CANADLL BE COMPLETED BY THMMENTS ANOTHER NAIL IN THE GOI'S COFFIN. THE RELEASE OF THIS REPORT, JUST DAYS BEFORE THE GENERAL ELECTION, CAN ONLY DO MORE HARM AND HEIGHTEN TENSION IN A COUNTRY THAT HAS ALREADY HAD A YEAR OF TURMOIL. THE RELEASE OF THESE FINDINGS COMES ON THE HEELS OF THE RELEASE OF THE PROVOCATIVE TIME MAGAZINE ARTICLE ABOUT THE SOEHARITO FAMILY'S WEALTH.

2. (U) IT IS NOT CLEAR WHY LAST YEAR'S BALLISTICS RESULTS BY THE INDONESIAN POLICE WERE NOT RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC. IF THE GOI WERE TRYING TO COVER-UP THEIR RESULTS, IT DOES NOT MAKE SENSE THAT THEY WOULD ALLOW ANOTHER GOVERNMENT TO RUN TESTS ON THE EVIDENCE. IF THEY WERE WAITING FOR CONFIRMATION FROM AN OUTSIDE GOVERNMENT, THEY COULD HAVE RELEASED SOME INFORMATION AND PERHAPS SHOWN THE PEOPLE OF INDONESIA THERE WAS IN FACT MOVEMENT ON ATTEMPTING TO SOLVE THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE SHOOTERS. THE SS-1 RIFLE IS A JOINT PRODUCTION BETWEEN FN AND PT PINDAD WHILE THE STEYR AUG RIFLE IS FROM AUSTRIA. THE SS-1 RIFLE HAS BEEN ISSUED BOTH TO TROOPS FROM THE JAKARTA AREA MILITARY COMMAND (KODAM JAYA) AND TO BRIMOB, THE NATIONAL POLICE MOBILE BRIGADE).

3. (U) PLEASE REFER ANY QUESTIONS/COMMENTS TO DIA