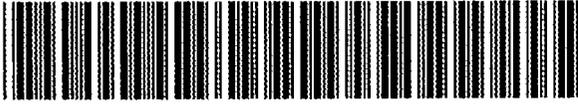
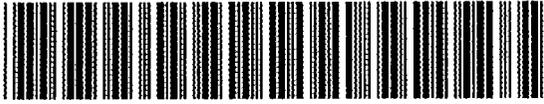




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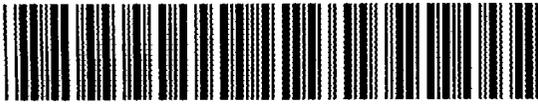
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SOURCE: A. (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "EL TIEMPO", BOGOTA, **COLOMBIA**, 920617-920701 (U), IN SPANISH. WIDELY READ, NORMALLY ACCURATE IN REPORTING OF MAJOR STORIES. SUPPORTIVE OF CURRENT GOVERNMENT. B. (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "EL ESPECTADOR", BOGOTA, **COLOMBIA**, 920616-920630 (U), IN SPANISH. GENERALLY ACCURATE IN ITS REPORTING. C. (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "EL UNIVERSAL", CARTAGENA, **COLOMBIA**, 920616-920630 (U), IN SPANISH. PRIMARY NORTH COAST PAPER. REPORTING RELATIVELY ACCURATE, ALTHOUGH NORMALLY NOT TOO DETAILED. D. WEEKLY MAGAZINE, "SEMANA", BOGOTA, **COLOMBIA**, 920623 (U), IN SPANISH. WELL-RESPECTED, ONE OF THE LEADING WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINE.

SUMMARY: (U) SIGNIFICANT COMBAT ACTIVITIES BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND GUERRILLA UNITS DIMINISHED SOMEWHAT IN THE LATTER PART OF THE MONTH. ATTENTION WAS DIRECTED AT THE VERBAL SPARING OVER THE ARREST WARRANT FOR A GUERRILLA NEGOTIATOR IN MEXICO AND THE GOVERNMENT'S GUARANTEES FOR HIS SAFE RETURN.

TEXT: 1. (U) THIS IIR REPORTS KEY GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES, GOVERNMENT AND MILITARY COUNTER-GUERRILLA RESPONSES, AND PUBLIC CONCERN AS REPORTED IN THE PRESS DURING THE PERIOD 920616-920630. ONLY THE MOST REMARKABLE EVENTS HAVE BEEN LISTED.

2. (U) THE FOLLOWING EVENTS ARE PRESENTED CHRONOLOGICALLY AS COVERED BY MEDIA SOURCES. THE SITES OF THE ACTIONS ARE IDENTIFIED BY NEAREST COMMUNITY AND DEPARTMENT. THE CGSB (COORDINADORA GUERRILLERO SIMON BOLIVAR) IS THE CONFEDERATION OF VARIOUS GUERRILLA GROUPS. THE GROUPS INVOLVED ARE THE FARC (FUERZAS ARMADAS REVOLUCIONARIAS DE **COLOMBIA**), THE ELN (EJERCITO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL) AND THE DISSIDENT FRACTION OF THE EPL (EJERCITO POPULAR DE LIBERACION).

- 920616 -- BOGOTA. THE **COLOMBIAN** JUDICIAL SYSTEM MOVE ORDERED THE SEARCH FOR AND ARREST OF FOUR FARC LEADERS. THE

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CHARGE WAS MURDER FOR THE PURPOSES OF TERRORISM. THE FOUR INCLUDED ONE LEADER WHO IS THE PRINCIPAL SPOKESMAN FOR THE GUERRILLAS AT THE TLAXCALA, MEXICO NEGOTIATIONS. THE FARC DELEGATION SPOKE OF REMAINING IN MEXICO AS A RESULT OF THE DECREE.

- 920616 -- EL BAGRE, ANTIOQUIA. ELN BOMBS DAMAGED TWO POWERLINE TOWERS SERVING A MINING COMPANY COMMUNITY AND THE ONLY POTABLE WATER SOURCE, LEAVING THE COMPANY COMMUNITY WITHOUT POWER OR WATER.

- 920616 -- PUENTE SOGAMOSA, SANTANDER. A PROPANE PIPELINE BRANCH WAS DYNAMITED BY CGSB ELEMENTS LEAVING SOME LOCAL COMMUNITIES WITHOUT FUEL.

- 920617 -- CHIVOLO, MAGDALENA

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MORE THAN 20 ELN GUERRILLAS TRIED TO TAKE THE COMMUNITY IN A THREE-DAY CONFRONTATION WITH THE ARMY'S CORDOVA BATTALION. THREE GUERRILLAS DIED, SIX WERE WOUNDED.

- 920617 -- BOGOTA. ARREST ORDERS FOR FARC AND ELN LEADERS CLIMBED TO 85. ALL WERE FOR MURDER, ILLEGALLY CARRYING ARMS, ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF EXPLOSIVES, AND TERRORISM. TO LIVE UP TO PRIOR COMMITMENTS, THE GOVERNMENT POSTPONED THE ARREST ORDER FOR THE FARC GUERRILLA SPOKESMAN/NEGOTIATOR STILL IN MEXICO.

- 920619 -- BOGOTA. THE ARMY ANNOUNCED THEY WILL SUSPEND OPERATIONS FOR AT LEAST 24 HOURS WHEN AND WHERE THE TLAXCALA GUERRILLA DELEGATION ARRIVES, TO HONOR GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES OF GUERRILLA SAFE PASSAGE.

- 920620 -- BOGOTA. MEDIA SOURCES REPORTED THE ELN CAPTURE OF CLASSIFIED MILITARY PLANS DURING THE GUERRILLA HIJACKING OF A AEROTACA AIRLINER ON 920516. THREE MILITARY PASSENGERS WERE MURDERED DURING THE HIJACKING. THE PLANS WERE PROBABLY WAR COLLEGE WAR GAME EXERCISES INVOLVING A VENEZUELAN CONFRONTATION SCENARIO. THE DISCOVERY BROUGHT UP QUESTIONS ON WHETHER THE HIJACKING WAS UNDERTAKEN BECAUSE THE ELN KNEW OF A MILITARY COURIER ON BOARD.

- 920620 -- EL CASTILLO AND PUEBLO SANCHEZ, META. IN EL CASTILLO 30 FARC GUERRILLAS ATTACKED A COMMUNITY FUND-RAISING BAZAAR KILLING THREE AND WOUNDING SIX PEOPLE. IN SANCHEZ ABOUT 100 GUERRILLAS BRIEFLY TOOK OVER THE COMMUNITY, SACKING STORES AND INTIMIDATING THE POPULATION, BUT CAUSING NO INJURIES.

- 920623 -- TAME, ARAUCA. POLICE DISCOVERED AND DISARMED AN ELN HOME-MADE CLAYMORE MINE AT THE END OF THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT RUNWAY.

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- 920623 -- MATAREDONDA, BOYACA. POLICE CAPTURED FIVE FARC 23RD FRONT MEMBERS AS WELL AS HOME-MADE BOMBS.
- 920624 -- CUCUTA, NORTE DE SANTANDER. VENEZUELAN JUDICIAL POLICE LEARNED OF AN ELN PLAN TO TRAIN 75 VENEZUELAN YOUTHS IN THE USE OF ARMS, SURVIVAL AND UNARMED COMBAT. SUPPOSEDLY, THE YOUTHS WOULD RETURN TO VENEZUELA TO BOLSTER THE REBEL GROUP OF FEBRUARY'S COUP LEADER COLONEL HUGO CHAVEZ.
- 920626 -- BARRANQUILLA. THE FARC ANNOUNCED (REITERATED) IT WOULD RELEASE ALL **COLOMBIAN** MILITARY PERSONNEL IN ITS CONTROL IN A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO CONTINUE DIALOGUE. THE FARC CLAIMS TO HAVE 12 INDIVIDUALS AND THE ELN CLAIMS NONE, WHILE THE GOVERNMENT SAYS 47 INDIVIDUALS ARE KNOWN TO BE CAPTIVES. .
- 920627 -- URAMITA, LA GUAJIRA //GEOCOORD: 1034N/07301W//. FOUR DAS AGENTS CAPTURED DURING OPERATIONS IN CESAR DEPARTMENT ON 920520 WERE FOUND SLAIN. EVIDENCE INDICATED THEY WERE FORCED TO DIG THEIR OWN GRAVES BEFORE BEING KILLED TWO DAYS AFTER CAPTURE.
- 920627 -- CUCUTA, NORTE DE SANTANDER. TWO POLICE AGENTS AND AN INSPECTION STATION WERE DYNAMITED IN A CGSB ACTION. THE CITY ALSO SUFFERED NUMEROUS SMALL EXPLOSIONS IN ITS CENTRAL DISTRICT.
- 920628 -- BOGOTA. THE MILITARY REPORTED THAT IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS 440 GUERRILLAS DIED IN COMBAT ACTIONS, 272 BELONGING TO THE FARC. ABOUT 240 MILITARY AND POLICE DIED IN THE SAME TIME PERIOD.
- 920629 -- PANAMA CITY, PANAMA. THE PRESS REPORTED THAT THE **COLOMBIAN** MILITARY HAD INTELLIGENCE THAT FORMER NORIEGA-ERA MILITARY MEMBERS ARE SELLING ARMS TO **COLOMBIAN** GUERRILLAS, AND THAT THE FARC HAD UNDERTAKEN TRAINING FOR SOME PANAMANIAN INTERESTED IN DESTABILIZING THE ENDARA GOVERNMENT.
- 920630 -- LA VITROLA, ANTIOQUIA. FIVE ELN GUERRILLAS WERE KILLED IN A CLASH WITH **14TH BRIGADE** TROOPS.
- 920630 -- PUERTO CLAVER, ANTIOQUIA. THE 10TH BRIGADE DISMANTLED 12 ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES SET UP BY THE FARC 37TH FRONT. THE MINES WERE PLACED ON A PUBLIC ROAD WHERE CIVILIAN CASUALTIES WOULD HAVE BEEN UNAVOIDABLE.
- 920630 -- FLORENCIA, CAQUETA; URIBE, META. FARC GUERRILLA NEGOTIATORS RETURNED FROM MEXICO VIA A MEXICAN AIR FORCE AIRCRAFT. ON BOARD WAS THE FARC SPOKESMAN EARLIER CHARGED WITH MURDER FOR TERRORISTIC PURPOSES. AFTER MUCH GIVE AND TAKE BETWEEN THE GUERRILLAS AND THE GOVERNMENT OVER SAFE PASSAGE GUARANTEES, THE GUERRILLAS WERE PERMITTED TO LAND AT

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FLORENCIA THEN BOARD HELICOPTERS TO THEIR NEXT CLANDESTINE LOCATIONS NEAR URIBE, META DEPARTMENT. THE **COLOMBIAN** MILITARY SUSPENDED ALL OPERATIONS IN THE AREA FOR 60 HOURS TO ALLOW THE SAFE PASSAGE. HOWEVER, THE FARC'S 1ST FRONT EVIDENTLY BROKE THE CEASEFIRE ALMOST IMMEDIATELY BY ATTACKING A 1ST MOBILE BRIGADE COMPANY THAT WAS STANDING DOWN.

(b)(3):10 USC 424. AGAIN THE LIST OF GUERRILLA INCIDENTS FOUND NEWSWORTHY IN **COLOMBIA** WAS LONG. HOWEVER, THE MAJORITY OF NEWSPAPERS REPORTS WERE VERY SMALL ACTIONS WITH LIMITED CASUALTIES. LARGE SCALE ACTIONS SEEMED TO ABATE SOMEWHAT AS ATTENTION WAS FOCUSED ON WHETHER OR NOT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD HONOR ITS PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS TO ALLOW GUERRILLA NEGOTIATORS SAFE RETURN TO **COLOMBIA**. THE GOVERNMENT NEVER SWERVED IN ITS STATED INTENTION OF ALLOWING THE ENTRY, ALTHOUGH VARIOUS MILITARY LEADERS' STATEMENTS ON CEASEFIRE PERIODS CAUSED THE GUERRILLAS TO MAINTAIN A VERY SKEPTICAL OUTLOOK.

2. (U) THE ARREST WARRANTS FOR GUERRILLA LEADERS IS NOT A NEW PHENOMENON. HOWEVER, IT DOES INDICATE THE JUSTICE SYSTEM SEEMS TO BE REENTERING THE COUNTER-GUERRILLA FRAY.

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