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SUMMARY: (U) THIS REPORT PROVIDES INFORMATION ON GUERRILLA
ACTIVITY IN COLOMBIA FOR THE PERIOD 900609-900615.

TEXT: 1. (U) EJERCITO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (ELN) ACTIVITIES -
- A. ON 900609, THREE "EFRAIN PABON PABON" ELN CORPSES WERE FOUND
IN A COMMON GRAVE IN SAN JOSE DE MIRANDA SANTANDER. THE TRIO APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED BY THE ARMY.
- B. ON 900612, ELN LIBERATED ARMY SOLDIER JESUS MARIA ((PARRA)),
KIDNAPPED ON 900525. HE WAS RELEASED NEAR SAN CALIXTO
NORTE DE SANTANDER.
- C. THE SAME DAY, ELN GUERRILLAS KILLED A PEASANT NEAR RIONEGRO
SANTANDER.
- D. ON 900613, NATIONAL POLICE (CNP) PATROLS DEACTIVATED FOURTEEN STICKS OF DYNAMITE TIMED TO EXPLODE AT 1325R AT KILOMETER 188 OF THE OIL PIPELINE. THE ELN DEVICE, FITTED WITH TWO ELECTRIC DETONATORS, WAS PLACED NEAR COYAIMA TOLIMA.

- E. ON 900615, FIFTH BRIGADE SOLDIERS KILLED AN ELN NEAR ZULIA NORTE DE SANTANDER. THE DEAD INSURGENT WAS CARRYING A PISTOL AND A LETTER ADDRESSED TO XXXIII FARC, APOLOGIZING FOR MISSING A SCHEDULED MEETING.

- F. ON 900615, CNP CAPTURED FOUR ELN GUERRILLAS NEAR PUERTO ASIS PUTUMAYO. THE FOUR WERE ID'D AS JOSELITO (PILES) AKA "JUAN", PEDRO ANTONIO (GUAMAN) MAMIAN AKA "PEDRO", ARQUI MEDES ORLANDO (LOPEZ) MUTUMAJOY AND ROSALINDA DORYS (SUAREZ). CAPTURED WITH THEM WERE POLICE UNIFORMS, THREE SUBMACHINEUNGS, THREE SHOTGUNS, A PISTOL AND A QUANTITY OF AMMUNITION. THE GROUP WAS SURPRISED BY POLICE AS THEY ATTEMPTED TO EXTORT TAXES FROM LOCAL FARMERS AND RANCHERS.

- G. THE SAME DAY, ELN RELEASED FRANCISCO (URIBE) ECHEVERRI, AN EXECUTIVE WITH FRONTINO GOLD MINES. HE HAD BEEN HELD SINCE 900227. THE ELN SENTENCED URIBE TO DEATH ON 900304, BUT RELEASED HIM TO HELP HUMANIZE THE WAR. HE WAS RELEASED IN PUERTO LOPEZ ANTIOQUIA.

2. (U) EJERCITO POPULAR DE LIBERACION (EPL) ACTIVITIES -

- A. ON 900609, THREE EPL FRONTS ("FRANCISCO GARNICA NARVAEZ", "ERNESTO ROJAS" AND "NORTHERN FRONT") BEGAN MEETING WITH UNION INTERMEDIARIES TO TALK PEACE. THE THREE GROUPS Operate IN CORDOBA AND ATLANTICO DEPARTMENTS.

- B. ON 900611, FRANCISCO (CARABALLO), EPL COMMANDER, DENIED THAT HIS DEPUTY'S PEACE EFFORTS WERE AUTHORIZED. ELN POLICY IS TO CONTINUE THE ARMED STRUGGLE UNTIL POLITICAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC CHANGES OCCUR, ACCORDING TO THE TELEPHONE INTERVIEW.

- C. ON 900612, ARMY COMMANDER GENERAL JESUS ARMANDO (ARIAS) CABRALES SAID THAT IT WAS CERTAIN THAT "JESUS MARIA ARMANDO" EPL WILL MOVE TO A DESIGNATED PLACE IN URABA TO CONTINUE PEACE TALKS. MEANWHILE, THE FIRST MOBILE BRIGADE WILL CONTINUE OPERATING, THOUGH EMPHASIS IN URABA AND CORDOBA MAY SHIFT TO FARC UNITS.

- D. THE SAME DAY, EPL GUERRILLAS KILLED AN ELEVENTH INFANTRY BATTALION "NUTIBARRA" SOLDIER IN AN ATTACK NEAR BOLIVAR, ANTIOQUIA (THERE ARE MULTIPLE LISTINGS FOR BOLIVAR IN THE GAZETTEER).

- E. ON 900613, EPL UNITS BEGAN MOVING INTO A DEMOBILIZATION CAMP NEAR NECLOCLEN ANTIOQUIA. THE SAFEHAVEN IS EXPECTED TO SERVE THE SAME ROLE AS THE ONE SET UP FOR THE M-19
IN CAUCA PRIOR TO THEIR NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT. MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEK ON 900618.
- F. ON 900615, OMAR ((CAICEDO)), COMMANDER OF URABA-BASED EPL, AND BERNARDO ((GUTIERREZ)), EPL DEPUTY COMMANDER, HAVE MOVED TO PUEBLONUEVO, THE SAFEHAVEN NEAR NECLOCLI, ANTIOQUIA. THE PAIR PROMISED TO LIBERATE ALL KIDNAPPEES. TALKS THE WEEK OF 900618 WILL FOCUS ON A NEGOTIATING AGENDA.
- G. LATER THE SAME DAY, EPL LIBERATED FOUR KIDNAPPEES, CLAIMING THAT THESE WERE THE ONLY ONES UNDER THEIR CONTROL. FREED WERE CATTLEMAN FRANCISCO ((UPARELLA)) AGAMEZ, RAMIRO ((RAMIREZ)) GAVIRIA, ARTURO ((BERRIO)) AND JUAN DE DIOS ((CHICA)) TORRES.
3. (U) FUERZAS ARMADAS REVOLUCIONARIAS DE COLOMBIA (FARC) ACTIVITIES -
- A. ON 900614, SIXTEEN VI FARC KIDNAPPED THREE MEMBERS OF A LAWYER'S FAMILY IN CALDONO [b](b):10 USC 424 THE THREE WERE ID'D AS THE LAWYER AIDA ESTELA ((SANDOVAL)) TROCHEZ, HER FATHER RANCHER PEDRO ALIRIO ((SANDOVAL)) PORRAS, AND A BROTHER HERNANDO ((SANDOVAL)) TROCHEZ.
- B. THE SAME DAY, FARC DYNAMITED A POLICE STATION UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN SIBERIA (MULTIPLE LISTINGS IN THE GAZETTEER). THERE WERE NO INJURIES IN THE ATTACK.

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