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COUNTRY: (U) BURMA (BM).

SUBJECT: (b)(3):10 USC 424 MILITARY USE OF PORTERS (U)

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SUMMARY: (U) BURMESE MILITARY USES PRESSED LABOUR TO COUNTER INSURGENT TACTICS. THE THREAT OF IMPRESSMENT AS A PORTER IS USED BY THE ARMY FOR FINANCIAL GAIN THROUGH BRIBES. WOMEN ARE BEING IMPRESSED AS LAUNDRY WORKERS AND COOKS.

TEXT: 1. (U) BURMESE MILITARY HAS BEGUN TO USE THE THREAT OF IMPRESSMENT AS A PORTER AS A MEANS TO GAIN FINANCIAL GAINS. INDIVIDUALS ARE ADVISED THEY WILL BE IMPRESSED UNLESS THEY CAN PAY A BRIBE. IF UNABLE TO PAY, THE INDIVIDUAL IS SEIZED AS A PORTER AND SENT TO THE TACTICAL OPERATION.

2. (U) WOMEN ARE NOW BEING IMPRESSED AS LAUNDRY WORKERS AND COOKS FOR THE SOLDIERS.

3. (U) THE BURMESE ARMY HAS COMMENCED A TACTIC WHILE MOVING THROUGH INSURGENT INFESTED AREAS OF INTERMIXING PORTERS WITH SOLDIERS. PRIOR TO THIS THE BURMESE ARMY HAD PLACED PORTERS TO THE FRONT OF COLUMNS IN ORDER TO

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CLEAR BOOBY TRAPS, DETONATE MINES, AND DRAW THE INSUR-
GENT'S FIRE. THE INSURGENTS HAD COUNTERED BY FIRING ON
THE REAR OF COLUMNS IN ORDER TO REDUCE CASUALTIES TO
THE PORTERS. LESS PORTERS ARE NOW USED AT THE FRONT OF
COLUMNS.

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