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22. DETAILS: (C) On 15 October 1977, three local newspapers carried a story of the Army's discovery of a terrorist arms factory in Mar del Plata. Troops led by Colonel Alberto BARDA, Commander of the 601st Air Defense Artillery Group made the discovery and confiscated a considerable amount of arms.

- 2. (U) The guerrilla arms factory was located in a suburb of Mar del Plata in a house with an attached body and fender shop. The house was occupied by a young couple and a small child several months old. Army officials stated that the guerrilla facility belonged to the Argentine Communist Marxist/Leninist Party which was working in cooperation with the Montoneros. The factory and a people's prison were located in two basements under the house. Weapons captured included 9mm machine pistols, a variety of hand guns, a bazooka type weapon and a sizeable quantity of ammunition.
- 3. (U) The Army concurrently announced that it had uncovered a terrorist training camp and a weapons firing range approximately 70 kilometers from Mar del Plata. It was believed that this facility was used in conjunction with the arms factory.

COMMENT: (6) The Army is not lessening its vigilence with the subversives and continues to keep pressure on them. The remarkable success that the government has achieved in recent months is slowly whittling away at guerrilla strength. Nevertheless, the terrorists continue to show their presence with isolated bombing attacks and other heinous acts designed to gain the public's attention. It will probably be years before the government can completely eliminate the terrorist threat.

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