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15. 1. (U) TERRORIST ACTIVITIES APPEAR TO HAVE INCREASED IN THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS WITH NEW MURDERS AND BOMBINGS. MRS. MARIA EULALIA CARIDE DE LANUSSE WAS KILLED ON 9 FEB 76 FOLLOWING A BOMB EXPLOSION AT HER APARTMENT IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL. MRS. LANUSSE WAS THE DAUGHTER-IN-LAW OF FORMER PRESIDENT LTG (RE) ALEJANDRO LANUSSE AND WAS MARRIED TO THE GENERAL'S CRIPPLED SON. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, SHE DIED ALMOST INSTANTLY AFTER SHE DETONATED A BOMB THAT WAS LEFT IN A PACKAGE AT HER FRONT DOOR.

2. ~~(C//NOFORN//INTEL)~~ RUMORS HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED IN THE CAPITAL THAT BG ADEL VILAS MIGHT HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF A TERRORIST ATTACK EARLY THIS WEEK. ACCOUNTS CARRIED IN THE LOCAL PRESS STATE THAT THE FORMER TUCUMAN V BDE COMMANDER'S FOOD WAS POISONED BY A TURN-COAT SOLDIER WHILE HE WAS RESIDING AT THE GRENADIER CAVALRY REGIMENT IN PALERMO. BG VILAS WAS AWAITING REASSIGNMENT AS DEPUTY COMMANDER OF V CORPS. THUS FAR, THE GENERAL HAS NOT APPEARED PUBLICALLY, WHICH RAISES THE POSSIBILITY THAT HE MAY BE EITHER DEAD OR PERHAPS SERIOUSLY ILL.

3. ~~(C//INTEL//NOFORN)~~ ABOUT 0700 HOURS 11 FEB 76 THE COMMANDER OF THE 601 ADA GROUP (RGT) COL RAFAEL REYES WAS KILLED IN MAR DEL PLATA WHILE DRIVING FROM HIS RESIDENCE TO HIS HEADQUARTERS. COL REYES AND HIS DRIVER WERE APPARENTLY AMBUSHED BY THREE CARS ABOUT THREE BLOCKS FROM HIS HOME WHILE ENROUTE TO HIS UNIT. ACCORDING TO ONE REPORT, THE COLONEL WAS MACHINE GUNNED BY A FEMALE ASSAILANT.

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4. COMMENT ~~(C//INTEL//NOFORN)~~ TERRORISTS ARE CONTINUING TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR CAPABILITY TO CONDUCT ISOLATED BOMBINGS AND ASSASSINATIONS. ONE SENIOR ARMY GENERAL LAMENTED [REDACTED] THAT IT IS VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO PROTECT ONESELF FROM SUCH ATTACKS. IN THIS REGARD, RECENT ARMY SUCCESSES AGAINST THE TERRORISTS AT MONTE CHINGOLO AND ELSEWHERE ARE PROBABLY FORCING THE GUERRILLAS TO MODIFY THEIR TACTICS. TERROSITS ARE LIKELY LOOKING NOW FOR EASY, UNPROTECTED TARGETS WHICH WILL REQUIRE A MINIMUM INVESTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND OTHER ASSETS. THIS MSG HAS BEEN COORD WITH EMBASSY.

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