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	SUMMARY: (C) EVENTS OP 27 JULY AS DESCRIBED IN AN
	OPFICIAL CHRONOLOGY OF THE EJECTION OF PRO MEGAWATI
	PARTY LOYALISTS FROM THE OPFICIAL PDI (INDONESIAN
	DEMOCRATIC PARTY) HEADOUARTERS BUILDING ON JALAN
	(STREET) DIPONEGORO. ENCLOUSURE.
	OCCURRED BETWEEN THE PRO-((MEGAWATI)) SUKARNOPUTRI
	AND PRO-((SURYADI)) ELEMENTS FOR CONTROL OF THE OFFICIAL
	PDI PARTY HEADQUARTERS BUILDING. THE FOLLOWING IS A
	CONDENSED VERSION OF THE EVENTS OF 27 JULY AS SEEN FROM
	AN OFFICIAL ARMED FORCES DOCUMENT. FULL TEXT IS
	FORWARDED AS ENCLOSURE: (b)(3):10 USC 424
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	THIS IS RADICALLY AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF THE EVENTS.
	2. (C) FROM THE EARLY HOURS OF 27 JULY, BETWEEN 200

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AND 500 PRO-MEGAWATI LOYALISTS GATHERED AROUND THE PDI HEADQUARTERS. ALL TIMES ARE WEST INDONESIA (JAKARTA LOCAL) TIME.

0635 - THE PRO-MEGAWATI ELEMENTS BEGAN TO STIR. SEVERAL

- MOTOR CYCLES AND A TENT AT THE HEADQUARTERS WAS
- BURNED.

0745 - A LARGE GROUP OF PRO-SURYADI PEOPLE MADE AN

- ATTACK ON THE PDI HEADQUARTERS. ENTERED THE
- HEADQUARTERS AND BURNED SEVERAL PRO-MEGAWATI
- RANNERS. THE PRO-MEGAWATI ELEMENTS SET FIRE TO
- A CAR ON NEARBY JALAN SURABAYA.

0805 - THE PRO-MEGAWATI YOUTHS SUCCESSFULLY PUSHED OUT

- THE PRO- SURYADI ELEMENTS. A STONE THROWING
- EXCHANGE BEGAN BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES THAT LASTED
- FOR ALMOST AN HOUR.

0855 - THE PRO-SURYADI YOUTHS REENTERED THE

- HEADQUARTERS BUILDING AND A STRUGGLE ENSUED
- BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES FOR CONTROL OF THE OFFICES
- IN THE RUILDING. EVENTUALLY THE PRO-SURYADI
- ELEMENTS GAINED CONTROL AND THE PRO-MEGAWATI
- YOUTHS WITHDREW TO THE EAST. (SEE COMMENT BELOW)

0903 - PRO-MEGAWATI ELEMENTS BURNED A POLICE BUS AND A

POLICE JEEP ON JALAN SURABAYA.

0930 - PRO-SURYADI PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL BUTTU

- ((HUTAPEA)) LITTLE BY LITTLE WITHDREW HIS
- ELEMENTS FROM THE BUILDING, LEAVING IT IN THE
- CARE OF THE POLICE. THE BUILDING WAS SO DAMAGED

THAT NORMAL ACTIVITIES WERE NOT POSSIBLE THERE.

1150 - ABOUT 2000 PRO-MEGAWATI ELEMENTS AND

- SYMPATHIZERS GATHERED ALONG JALAN DIPONEGORO IN
- ROWS OR COLUMNS STRETCHING FROM THE SALEMBA
- INTERSECTION TO POLICE POST MEGARIA. A FEW
- MINUTES LATER THEY BROKE DOWN THE PERIMETER
- FENCE OF THE POLICE POST.

1230 - GATHERING UNDER A NEARBY RAILROAD BRIDGE, THE

- PRO-MEGAWATI FORCES SANG THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.
- WAVING THE NATIONAL FLAG AT HALF STAFF. THEN

-	MOVED BACK TOWARD THE PARTY HEADQUARTERS.		
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- 1510 THE PRO-MEGAWATI MASSES BURNED A BUS IN FRONT OF
- THE ST. CAROLUS HOSPITAL AND TWO MORE BUSES IN
- FRONT OF ANOTHER NEARBY HOSPITAL.
- 1540 THE CROWD MOVED DOWN JALAN SALEMBA RAYA BURNING
- SEVERAL BUILDINGS INCLUDING TWO BANKS, THE
- WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS MESS, A TOYOTA OFFICE, AND
- THE OFFICES OF THE FORESTRY MINISTRY. THIS TOOK
- PLACE OVER ABOUT ONE HOUR.
- 1645 FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES WERE EXTINGUISHING THE
- FIRES SET BY THE CROWD WHEN THE CROWD RETURNED.
- THEY SET FIRE TO SPARE TIRES TO BLOCK THE ROAD.
- 1650 THE CROWD DESCENDED ON THE HONDA DEALERSHIP ON JALAN SALEMBA, BROKE THE GLASS, PLUNDERED THE
- INTERIOR, AND DESTROYED 40 VEHICLES.
- 1730 THE TELKOM (TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS) OFFICES ON
- JALAN PENATARAN WERE BURNED, ALONG WITH 27
- VEHICLES DESTROYED.
- 1855 THE PRO-MEGAWATI MASSES RAN AMUCK NEAR RIDWAN
- HOSPITAL DESTROYING VARIOUS THINGS IN THE AREA.
- 1945 THE DAGANG NEGARA (STATE COMMERCE) BANK, NEAR
- THE PERTAMINA COMPLEX WAS BURNED. TWO PEOPLE
- WERE ALMOST BURNED TO DEATH, BUT WERE
- SUCCESSFULLY SAVED BY SECURITY FORCES, THOUGH
- THE TWO WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED, ABOUT 100
- STREET VENDORS' CARTS WERE LOOTED IN THE SAME
- VICINITY. AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME, A CAR WAS
- BURNED IN FRONT OF THE EXIM BANK ON JALAN GUNUNG
- SAHARI. IN THE GENERAL AREA OF THE SENEN
- SECTION OF JAKARTA, PASSING CARS WERE STONED.
- 2020 CLEARING ACTIONS WERE UNDERTAKEN AGAINST THE MOB
- IN THE SENEN SECTION BY ANTI-RIOT UNITS. WITH
- THIS, THE MOB BEGAN TO RUN TOWARD THE AREA OF
- THE SENEN TRAIN STATION.

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2025 - THE SENEN TRAIN STATION WAS OCCUPIED BY THE

- ANTI-RIOT UNITS AND THE MOB DISPERSED.
- COMMENT: 1. (C) NO UNITS ARE IDENTIFIED IN THIS

CHRONOLOGY. HAS SEEN ELEMENTS OF THE JAKARTA

USC 424 GARRISON COMMAND'S FIRST RRIGADE, AND PERSONNEL FROM ARTILLERY AND ARMOR UNITS. SOME ARMORED VEHICLES HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN THE AREA, BUT WE HAVE NOT CONFIRMED IF THEY ARE POLICE OR ARMY. MOST OF THE GOVERNMENT FORCES PROMINENTLY EVOLVED HAVE BEEN THE POLICE MOBILE

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AREA WHERE THE RIOTING HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE. MOST OF THESE SEEM TO BE FORCES BEING HELD IN RESERVE. THOSE ARMY TROOPS SEEN BY WERE, HOWEVER, EQUIPPED WITH RIOT BATONS AND WICKER SHIELDS. 2. (C) THE REPORT OF THE ACTION TO DRIVE OUT THE PROMEGAWATI FORCES DOES NOT MENTION THAT THE POLICE WERE THE PEOPLE WHO EVENTUALLY HAD TO MOVE IN AND EJECT THE PRO-MEGAWATI ELEMENTS FROM THE BUILDING. THIS HAS BEEN CONFIRMED BY NUMEROUS OTHER OBSERVERS. 3. (C) NEITHER MEGAWATI, NOR SURYADI WERE PRESENT AT THE PDI HEADQUARTERS DURING THE DAY. AFTER THE PROMEGAWATI SUPPORTERS WERE EJECTED AND BECAME DESTRUCTIVE, THE POLICE AND ARMY SOURCES STATE THAT VARIOUS CRIMINAL ELEMENTS JOINED IN, ALONG WITH THE	
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