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ON WELGA NG BAYAN AND NEW PEOPLES ARMY (NPA)
THREATS TO AMERICANS (U)

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(b)(1):Sec. 1.4(c);(b)(3):10 USC 424;(b)(3):50 USC 3024(i)

SUMMARY: (S//NF//NF) (b)(1):Sec. 1.4(c) OUTLINED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN NATIONAL STRIKE THE DAY BEFORE IT HAPPENED. THREAT TO AMERICANS ALSO COVERED. (b)(1):Sec. 1.4(c) AMPLIFIED NPA INVOLVEMENT IN STRIKE AND EMPHASIZES THAT THE THREAT TO AMERICANS WILL CONTINUE. ENCLOSURE.

TEXT: 1. (S//NF//NF) ON 25 OCT 90, (b)(1):Sec. 1.4(c) A DOCUMENT (DATED 23 OCT 90)

ENTITLED "ASSESSMENT OF THE PLANNED NATIONWIDE STRIKE." (b)(3):10 USC 424 THE NATIONWIDE STRIKE OR "WELGA NG BAYAN" IN FILIPINO, BEGAN ON 24 OCT 90.) THE DOCUMENT IS DIVIDED INTO SIX SECTIONS: EXPECTED SCENARIO, BACKGROUND, CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS, DETAILS OF THE WELGA NG BAYAN MONITORED PLANS RE 24 OCT 90 WELGA NG BAYAN, AND ASSESSMENT. SEVERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST ARE DISCUSSED BELOW.

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2. (S//NF//NF) FIRST, SECTION 4 (DETAILS OF THE WELGA NG BAYAN) CONTAINS A SUBSECTION THAT DISCUSSES THE NATURE OF PROBABLE PARTICIPATION IN THE STRIKE BY THE NPA'S ALEX BONCAYO BRIGADE (ABB). THE FINAL SENTENCE OF THIS SUBSECTION MENTIONS AMERICANS, AND SAYS, "AN AMERICAN WILL ALSO BE KIDNAPPED AND KILLED AND THEN DUMPED IN FRONT OF THE U.S. EMBASSY."

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3. (S//NF//NF) SECOND, THE DOCUMENT STATES THAT THE REFORM THE ARMED FORCES/SOLDIERS FOR THE FILIPINO PEOPLE/YOUNG OFFICERS UNION (RAM/SFP/YOU) HAS INITIATED A TACTICAL ALLIANCE WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES (CPP)/NPA AND OTHER ANTI-GOVERNMENT FORCES. SPECIFICALLY, THE DOCUMENT STATES THAT, "ALTHOUGH IT WILL NOT DIRECTLY PARTICIPATE IN THE WELGA NG BAYAN, YOU REPORTEDLY PROVIDED EXPLOSIVES TO THE ABB." THE DOCUMENT CLAIMS THAT A RELIABLE SOURCE HAS REPORTED A FORMAL LINK BETWEEN YOU AND ABB HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR SYNCHRONIZATION OF MILITARY OPERATIONS, PARTICULARLY BOMBINGS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT. THIS TIE-UP, HOWEVER, DOES NOT INCLUDE A FORMAL COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER. REPORTEDLY, TWO SPECIFIC ITEMS OF AGREEMENT ARE THAT NO PERMANENT DAMAGE WILL BE INFLICTED IN TARGETS, AND THERE MUST BE NO CIVILIAN CASUALTIES DURING EXPLOSIONS.

4. (S//NF//NF) THIRD, THE BULK OF THE DOCUMENT CONSISTS OF A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE ORIGINS AND LIKELY COURSE OF THE STRIKE. IT PREDICTS THAT THE ABB WILL PLAY A ROLE IN FOMENTING VIOLENCE DURING THE STRIKE. AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF ABB TEAMS WILL BE DEPLOYED IN STRATEGIC AREAS TO CONFISCATE BUSES TO USE

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AS BARRICADES, AND TO UNDERTAKE MILITARY OPERATIONS AGAINST GOVERNMENT ELEMENTS. THE DOCUMENT ALSO TAKES NOTE OF THE THREE BUSES THAT WERE SEIZED AND BURNED BY THE ABB SEVERAL DAYS PRIOR TO THE STRIKE ON 21 OCT 90.

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SAID THAT 300 NPA SOLDIERS HAD BEEN IMPORTED BY THE ABB FROM SOUTHERN TAGALOG, LEYTE AND SAMAR. THEIR MISSION WAS TO CAUSE AS MANY TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS (WITH BUSES) AS POSSIBLE. THESE IMPORTED TROOPS WOULD ONLY BE USED THAT WAY AS THEY HAD NO ASSASSINATION TRAINING. SAID THE PC IS COMBATING THIS BY PUTTING MEN IN UNIFORM WITH RIFLES ON ALL BUSES. SELECTED ROUTES ALSO HAVE PLAIN CLOTHES PC ARMED WITH SIDE ARMS. THIS ACTION WILL CONTINUE AS LONG AS THE NPA IS A THREAT. WHEN ASKED HOW LONG THAT MIGHT BE, HE SAID THE NPA OFFENSIVE WILL DIE SOON, POSSIBLY THE WEEK OF 29 OCT 90. HE SAID THAT OFFENSIVES COST MONEY AND THE NPA DOESN'T HAVE THAT MUCH. JUST FEEDING AND HOUSING THE 300 EXTRA TROOPS IS SEVERELY ON YREAT.

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2. ~~(S/NF)~~ THE OTHER THING (b)(1);Sec. 1.4(c) ABOUT THE DOCUMENT IS THAT IT OUTLINED EXACTLY WHAT WOULD HAPPEN DURING THE WELGA AND YET THE PC WAS UNABLE TO STOP IT. THE REST OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) (PHILIPPINE ARMY AND MARINES) DIDN'T GET INVOLVED, THE PC CORRECTLY TOOK ON THE ROLE OF KEEPING THE PEACE. YET, IN SPITE OF OBVIOUSLY VERY GOOD INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION, THE EVENTS STILL TOOK PLACE. THAT STRIKES AS THE PC BEING OPERATIONALLY VERY WEAK IN PREVENTION. COMMENTS AND THE 27 OCT 90 ARREST OF NINE CPP/NPA MEMBERS IS VERY GOOD, BUT THEY ARE ONLY REACTIONS AFTER THE FACT. THE PC COULDN'T PREVENT THE VIOLENCE, AND THAT PROBABLY SAYS THE MOST ABOUT PC CAPABILITIES.

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