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SUMMARY: TC/NF) THIS REPORT IS A VARIETY OF PERSONNEL
EVENTS IN THE PERUVIAN ARMY, PRESIDENTIAL INVOLVEMENT IN
PROMOTIONS, LTG PALOMINO'S ASSIGNMENT AS ATTACHE TO FRANCE, RETIREMENT OF COL RAFAEL EUGENIO ((CORDOVA))
RIVERA, AND MURDER OF MG WALTER ((PENAS)) RIVAS.
TEXT: 1. (b)(1),1.4 (c) HAVE EXPRESSED
EXTREME DISPLEASURE AT THE DIRECT INVOLVEMENT OF PRESIDENT
FUJIMORI IN THE ANNUAL ARMY PROMOTION BOARD IN LATE SEP 91. JUST PRIOR TO THE BOARD MEETING FUJIMORE SENT THE
ARMY A LIST OF EIGHT LIEUTENANT COLONELS TO BE PROMOTED TO
COLONEL. THESE EIGHT OFFICERS ARE ASSIGNED AT THE "CASA
MILITAR" (THE PRESIDENT'S MILITARY ASSISTANCE STAFF) AND
THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (SIN). (b)(1),1.4 (c) (b)(1),1.4 (c) QUOTAS HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED ON THE
NUMBER THAT COULD BE PROMOTED BY SPECIALTY BRANCH. THE
BOARD MEMBERS THEN ESTABLISHED AN ORDER OF MERIT LIST
(OML) FOR THOSE WHO WERE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PROMOTION
BUT THAT NONE OF THE EIGHT WERE HIGH ENOUGH ON THE OML TO
BE SELECTED BY THE BOARD FOR PROMOTION. THUS WHEN THE SELECTION PROCESS WAS COMPLETED THE EIGHT WERE ADDED TO
THE PROMOTION LIST AND EIGHT OF THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED
OFFICERS WERE REMOVED FROM THE LIST. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF
LIEUTENANT COLONELS BEING PROMOTED TO COLONEL WAS 98.
PRESIDENT IN THE PROMOTION PROCESS WAS ACTUALLY THE WORK
OF PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR VLADIMIRO ((MONTESINOS)).
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2. (S/NF) IN SEP 91 LTG LUIS ((PALOMINO)) RODRIGUEZ RETURNED TO PERU FROM HIS MIDDLE FAST EXILE. ((b)(1),1.4 (c)
RETURNED TO PERU FROM HIS MIDDLE EAST EXILE. (b)(1),1.4 (c) (b)(1),1.4 (c)
(b)(1),1.4 (c) ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE IN ORDER THAT HE
COULD GO TO FRANCE AS A MILITARY ATTACHE. PALOMINO
ACCEPTED THE POSITION AND DEPARTED WITH HIS FAMILY TO

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FRANCE. THE ASSIGNMENT IS EXPECTED TO BE FOR THE REMAINDER OF 1991 AND POSSIBLY ALL OF 1992 WHEN HE WILL PROBABLY BE INVITED TO RETIRE. WHEN PALOMINO DEPARTED TO THE MIDDLE EAST IN EARLY 1991 HE WAS THE ARMY INSPECTOR GENERAL. AT THAT TIME GENERAL RABANAL, CHIEF OF THE ACADEMIC CENTERS, BECAME THE ACTING IG. AFTER PALOMINO'S REASSIGNMENT TO FRANCE, THE POSITION BECAME VACANT AND GENERAL VILLANUEVA WAS OFFICIALLY ASSIGNED TO BE THE ARMY IG AS WELL AS THE ARMY'S COMMANDING GENERAL. (b)(3):10 USC 424,(b) (3):50 USC 403-1(i)

3. (STNF) IN AUG 91 COL RAFAEL EUGENIO ((CORDOVA))
RIVERA, THE FORMER COMMANDER OF THE ARMY INTELLIGENCE
SERVICE, WAS INVITED TO RETIRE. CORDOVA HAD PREVIOUSLY
STATED HE WAS NOT A FRIEND OF PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR
VLADIMIRO ((MONTESINOS)) AND THAT HE PERSONALY HAD
CONDUCTED A MAJOR PART OF THE INVESTIGATION OF THE
ESPIONAGE CHARGES DIRECTED AT MONTESINOS YEARS AGO. HE
HAD STATED THAT EVENTUALLY MONTESINOS WOULD TRY TO GET
EVEN AND WOULD PROBABLY ASK HIM TO RETIRE. (b)(3):10 USC 424,(b)
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4. (S/NF) ON THE NIGHT OF 25 SEP 91 GENERAL DE BRIGADA

(MG) WALTER ((PENA)) RIVAS, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL MILITARY HOSPITAL IN LIMA WAS KILLED. ALTHOUGH THE ARMY'S INTELLIGENCE SERVICE HAD RECOMMENDED ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS THAT PENA BE PROVIDED A SECURITY DETAIL, HE ADAMANTLY REFUSED THE PROTECTION. ON THE DAY OF THE MURDER PENA LEFT WORK AT 1830 HOURS IN HIS PRIVATE VEHICLE. THREE HOURS LATE HE WAS FOUND DEAD AT THE COSTA VERDE BEACH WITH FOUR SHOTS IN THE BODY. WITNESSES STATED THAT THREE INDIVIDUALS IN A WHITE TOYOTA LEFT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME. (b)(1),1.4 (c)

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