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SUMMARY: (U) SEE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, TEXT PARAGRAPH 1, BELOW.

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2. (~~UNFOUO~~) THE MEXICAN SECRETARIAT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE'S (SEDENA) XI MILITARY REGION BRIEFING OPENS WITH A DESCRIPTION OF THE XI MILITARY REGION (XITH RM), WHICH COMPRISES CHIHUAHUA AND COAHUILA STATES (SLIDES 1-4).

- SLIDE 5 - A DESCRIPTION OF THE MAIN ISSUES AS BEING BORDER SMUGGLING, DRUG CULTIVATION IN THE SIERRA MADRE AREA, AND CONTROL OVER THE COMARCA LAGUNERA, THE AREA BORDERING THE STATES OF DURANGO, COAHUILA AND ZACATECAS, WHICH IS A TRANSIT POINT FOR ILLEGAL THE DRUGS FLOW TO THE NORTHERN BORDER.

- SLIDES 6-8 - A DESCRIPTION OF THE 5TH, 6TH AND 42ND MILITARY ZONES, INCLUDING GRAPHICS SHOWING MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS IN THE ZONES.

- SLIDE 9 - A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA IN THE WESTERN SIERRA MADRE, INDICATING THAT ITS DIFFICULT GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION FACILITATES TCO INFLUENCE.

- SLIDES 10-11 - A DESCRIPTION OF THE MEXICO-U.S. BORDER, AND A LIST OF ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES IN THIS PORTION OF THE BORDER INCLUDING, NARCOTICS AND FIREARMS TRAFFICKING, SMUGGLING, KIDNAPPINGS, EXTORTION AND HOMICIDES AS WELL AS MAJOR CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS PRESENT, INCLUDING THE **JUAREZ CARTEL** AND **SINALOA CARTEL**.

- SLIDES 12-15 - A DESCRIPTION OF HIGH IMPACT OPERATIONS INCLUDING COORDINATED OPERATION CHIHUAHUA IN CIUDAD **JUAREZ**, JOINT OPERATION LAGUNA AND SEALING NAZAS IN THE COMARCA LAGUNERA. A SLIDE OF 2010 FIGURES SHOWS 28,585 MARIJUANA PLANTS CLEARED OVER 4,210 HECTARES FOR 364,155 KG AND 11,011 PLANTS IN 1,522 HECTARES OF POPPY FIELDS FOR 100KG OPIUM 137KG COCAINE, 65KG CRYSTAL, 2,437 FIREARMS, 150 GRENADES, 1074 VEHICLES, 141 DESTROYED RUNWAYS AND 1217 PERSONNEL DETAINED IN THE REGION.

- SLIDE 16 - DESCRIBES THE ONGOING PERMANENT DEPLOYMENTS HIGHLIGHTING FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES ENFORCEMENT, THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING CIVILIAN PERSONNEL SUPPORT AND PLAN DN-III-E

- SLIDES 17-19 - CONCLUSION SLIDES HIGHLIGHT THE REGIONS STRATEGIC SIGNIFICANCE, SPECIFIES 'THE CONDUCT OF MILITARY SUPPORTED ACTIONS BY CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES' AND THE RETALIATORY NATURE OF VIOLENCE ON THE BORDER. THE SLIDE ALSO STATES INTENSIVE TRAINING ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW RESULTED IN A LOWER COMPLAINT RATE.

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1. DIGITAL, DOCUMENT - (U//~~FOUO~~) 11TH RM SITUATION BRIEF, POWERPOINT PRESENTATION, 21 SLIDES, 5.542MB, IN ENGLISH, 20110322 (U//~~FOUO~~)
2. DIGITAL, DOCUMENT - (U//~~FOUO~~) SITUACION DE LA XI RM, POWERPOINT PRESENTATION, 21 SLIDES, 5.473MB, IN SPANISH, 20110322 (U//~~FOUO~~)

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