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SUBJ: THIS IS IR

1. ARGENTINA (AR)

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3. (U) INSURGENCY AND TERRORISM - UPDATE ON BOMB EXPLOSION IN
ARG AF HEADQUARTERS

4. N/A

5. 770422

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7. 770422, BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

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13. (b)(3): 10 USC 424

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15. DDRC: NO/ NOFORN TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT TO HOST GOVT

16. SUMMARY: (U) THIS IR FORWARDS UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE BOMB EXPLOSION IN THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE HQ.

22. DETAILS: 1. (C/NOFORN)

Sec. 3.3(b) (1)

HE STATED:

A. THE BOMB WHICH EXPLODED IN THE OFC OF THE CH OF STAFF OF THE ARGAF MATERIEL COMMAND WAS BROUGHT INTO THE BUILDING IN A PORTABLE TAPE RECORDER. B. BRIG PALAZUELOS (THE INTENDED VICTIM) WAS RETIRED FROM THE SERVICE BECAUSE WHILE AWARE OF POSSIBILITY OF HIS DAUGHTER'S AFFILIATION WITH THE MONTONEROS HE TOOK NO STEPS TO HAVE HER INVESTIGATED AND ALLOWED HER TO VISIT AF HQ BLDG ON THE DAYS PRECEEDING THE EXPLOSION SHE HAD OCCASSIONALLY USED THE BATHROOM IN HIS OFC TO SHOWER SINCE THEY HAD NO HOT WATER AT HOME. INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE BOMB WAS INTRODUCED DURING ONE OF THESE VISITS OR THAT THE GIRL TRICKED HER FATHER INTO TAKING THE RECORDER INTO HIS OFFICE. C. THE FOUR CHIEFS OF STAFF OF THE MAJCOMS (BRIGS CUBRIA, BARBUY, DI RISIO, PALAZUELOS) WERE TO MEET AT PALAZUELOS OFFICE AT THE TIME OF THE EXPLOSION. BY CHANCE THREE OF THEM WERE IN BARBUY'S OFFICE AT MEETING TIME AND THE FOURTH WAS ASKED TO JOIN THEM THERE. HAD THEY MET AS SCHEDULED, ALL MIGHT HAVE BEEN KILLED. D. BRIG SAVIGLIANO, CHIEF OF MATERIEL COMMAND, HAS NOT BEEN RETIRED AS ORIG REPORTED. AT LEAST ONE AND PERHAPS TWO OF HIS CHILDREN ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR COMPLICITY. SOURCE BELIEVES SAVIGLIANO WILL BE ASKED TO RETIRE SOON. E. THERE ARE THIRTY SIX SONS/DAUGHTERS OF ARGAF SENIOR OFFICERS (O-6 AND ABOVE, ACTIVE AND RETIRED) UNDER INVESTIGATION BY AF SECURITY FOR CONNECTIONS WITH MONTONERO/ERP CELLS.

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2. (C/NOFORN) TALKED TO THE SAVIGLIANOS AT RECENT RECEPTION. HE WOULD NOT DISCUSS THE PERSONAL ASPECTS OF THE INCIDENT. HE ASSUMES OR WANTS TO BELIEVE HE WILL STAY ON AS CMDR OF MATERIEL AT LEAST THROUGH YEAR'S END.

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3. COMMENTS: (C) THE FACT THAT SOME DEPENDENTS OF AF PERSONNEL HAD TIES WITH TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS WAS WIDELY SUSPECTED FOR SOME TIME. GIVEN THE LEVEL OF ANTI-GUERRILLA FEELINGS AMONG THE ARMED FORCES, IT IS SURPRISING THAT IT TOOK A REALLY

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SERIOUS BOMB ATTEMPT WITHIN ARGAF HQ TO FORCE AN AF REACTION.
NOW THAT IT HAS HAPPENED UNPLEASANT RESULTS MAY BE FORTHCOMING.
THIS MSG HAS BEEN COORD W/EMBASSY.

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