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1. ARGENTINA (AR)

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3. (U) INSURGENCY - TERRORISTS JUDGED IN MILITARY/CIVILIAN COURTS

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5. 770625-29

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7. 770615-19, BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

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COURT JUDGMENTS AGAINST TERRORISTS.
22. DETAILS: (U) ON 23 JUN 77, THE POPULAR NEWSPAPER "LA RAZON",
REPORTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD BROUGHT A TOTAL OF 9 TERRORISTS
TO JUSTICE AND EXONERATED FOUR OTHERS WHO WERE SUSPECTED OF
ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES. IN CORDOBA, A MILITARY WAR COUNCIL OF THE
888 ARMY CORPS SENTENCED 5 TERRORISTS TO JAIL TERMS RANGING
FROM THREE AND ONE HALF YEARS TO 25 YEARS. THE SAME CORDOBA
WAR COUNCIL ABSOLVED FOUR PERSONS WHO HAD BEEN TRIED FOR A VARIETY
OF OTHER OFFENSES. CONCURRENTLY, A FEDERAL JUDGE IN THE PROVINCIAL
CAPITAL OF SAN LUIS SENTENCED FOUR SUBVERSIVES TO LENGTHY
PRISON TERMS. JUDGE EDUARDO ALLENDE SENTENCED ONE WOMAN TO A SIX
YEAR TERM, AND A DOCTOR TO 7 YEARS AND TWO OTHER INDIVIDUALS
TO EIGHT YEARS OF PRISON FOR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE MONTONERO
TERRORIST GROUP. FURTHER, ON 29 JUNE 77 IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT
A I ARMY CORPS WAR TRIBUNAL IN BUENOS AIRES HAD SIGNIFICANTLY
REDUCED THE SENTENCES OF THREE TERRORISTS WHO HAD VOLUNTARILY
SURRENDERED TO GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS
RELEASE THE MILITARY COURT REDUCED THE PRISON TERMS FOR TWO
WOMEN FROM NINE TO THREE YEARS AND LOWERED ANOTHER TERRORISTS
SENTENCE FROM FIFTEEN TO FIVE YEARS. COMMENT: ~~(C)~~ IT APPEARS
THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS BEGINNING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ITS EFFORTS
TO BRING ACCUSED TERRORISTS TO JUSTICE. THE PERFORMANCE OF THE
WAR COUNCIL IN CORDOBA SUGGESTS THAT IT IS NOT A KANGAROO COURT
BUT ONE THAT CONSIDERS EVIDENCE PRESENTED IN THAT 4 SUSPECTS
WERE RELEASED. THESE ACTIONS, ALONG WITH THE JUDGMENTS IN
SAN LUIS AND BUENOS AIRES, ARE ENCOURAGING SIGNS THAT THE MILITARY
MAY HAVE REACHED THE POINT IN THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST THE
TERRORISTS WHERE THEY CAN RESORT TO DUE PROCESS OF LAW, ALBEIT
THROUGH MILITARY COURTS, THEREBY DEMONSTRATING INCREASED RESPECT
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE ACCUSED. THIS MSG HAS BEEN COORD W/EMBASSY.
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