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15. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: DIRC-NO

16. SUMMARY: ~~(C)~~ THIS REPORT PARTIALLY DESCRIBES RETRAINING OF ARGENTINE NAVY UNITS THAT HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN ACTIVE IN COUNTER-TERRORIST OPERATIONS. IT PARALLELS REPORTS OF SIMILAR TRAINING IN OTHER ARGENTINE SERVICES (SEE REF IR).

22. DETAILS: ~~(C)~~ DURING LUNCHEON

(b)(3):10 USC 424, Sec. 3.3(b) SOURCE RESPONDED TO QUESTION REGARDING TRAINING FOR NAVAL OFFICERS TO MEET THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF HOLDING POSITIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT. THE STATUS OF PROVINCE GOVERNORS WHO HAD NAVY EXPERIENCE WAS DISCUSSED BY SOURCE AND HE SAID NO SPECIFIC TRAINING WAS PROVIDED BUT NOTED THAT ALL WERE RETIRED OFFICERS WHO HAD PROVEN THEMSELVES LOYAL DURING THEIR ACTIVE DUTY CAREERS. TURNING TO COUNTER-TERRORIST OPERATIONS, SOURCE STATED THAT RETRAINING TO MEET CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES WAS IN THE HANDS OF THE OPERATING FORCES. HE EXPRESSED AN OPINION THAT THERE WAS GOOD CONTROL OVER OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE ARGENTINE NAVY AND THAT AUTONOMOUS ACTIONS WERE NOT AN ACCEPTABLE PART OF THE SERVICE'S STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES.

COMMENT: ~~(C)~~

Sec. 3.3(b) (1)

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IN DISCUSSING RE-ESTABLISHING AUTHORITY IN THE OPERATING UNITS. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE UNITS THEMSELVES WERE CARRYING OUT THIS PROCESS AND BY REFERENCE TO THE TYPICAL NAVY VERTICAL COMMAND STRUCTURE INFERRED THAT TRAINING FOR THE POST TERRORIST ENVIRONMENT WAS CENTRALLY DIRECTED BUT WOULD NOT COMMIT HIMSELF ON THIS MATTER.

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