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BODY

COUNTRY: (U) VENEZUELA (VE).

SUBJ: (b)(3):10 USC 424 VIEWS OF ARMY COMMANDER (U)

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SUMMARY: (S) (b)(1),1.4 (c) REASONS FOR (b)(1),1.4 (c)
POSTPONING SOME TRAINING INITIATIVES WITH THE (b)(1),1.4 (c)
CONCERNED WITH LEFTIST EFFORTS TO UNDERMINE HIS PROGRAMS,
NONETHELESS HE'LL PUSH ON SLOWLY. LATE SEPT COULD BE A
PROBLEM BECAUSE OF LEFTIST ACTIVITIES IN UNIVERSITIES.

(b)(1),1.4 (c)

2. (S) (b)(1),1.4 (c) ABOUT A RECENT RADIO REPORT
THAT CLAIMED FOREIGN MINISTER, RETIRED GENERAL FERNANDO
((OCHOA)) ANTICH, HAD STATED THAT IT WAS NOT IN THE
NATIONAL INTEREST TO PROSECUTE JAILED **COUP** LEADER LTC **HUGO**
((**CHAVEZ**)) FRIAS. THAT HE SHOULD BE PARDONED SINCE HIS
PROSECUTION COULD PERHAPS CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS.

(b)(1),1.4 (c)

WRONG MESSAGE AND PERHAPS CREATE OTHER PROBLEMS FOR THE
MILITARY. IT WAS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN DISCIPLINE WITHIN
THE INSTITUTION.

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MILITARY BECAUSE OF HIS CONSTANT CRITICISM OF THE
LEADERSHIP AND UNSTABLE CONDITIONS WITHIN THE ARMY.

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CONCURRENTLY, HE HAD BEEN A LECTURER AT THE ARMY CGSC AS
WELL AS THE AIR FORCE'S IN MARACAY. BECAUSE OF HIS

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9. ~~(C)~~ (b)(1), 1.4 (c) IT WAS NECESSARY
TO GET TO DEC 92 WITHOUT ANY PROBLEMS SO THAT THE UPCOMING
ELECTIONS OF GOVERNORS AND MAYORS COULD TAKE PLACE. ONCE
THOSE WERE HELD HE FELT THINGS WOULD REALLY CALM DOWN
POLITICALLY SINCE THE NEW OFFICE HOLDERS WOULD DO WHATEVER
WAS POLITICALLY NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN CALM WITHIN THEIR
CONSTITUENCIES.

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