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**BODY**

SUBJ: DIA DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE NOTICE (DIN) (U)

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1. ~~(C//NOFORN)~~ FOLLOWING THEIR SUCCESSFUL 27 JANUARY ATTACK ON ILOPANGO AIR BASE, GUERRILLA ELEMENTS HAVE MOVED TO CAPITALIZE ON PERCEIVED GOVERNMENT FORCE WEAKNESS AND HAVE ESCALATED ATTACKS ON TOWNS AND CITIES. THESE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN COUPLED WITH STEPPED-UP

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MATERIEL ACQUISITION RAIDS AND CONTINUED SABOTAGE OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND EXPORT CROPS.

2. (C//NOFORN) THE GUERRILLA CAMPAIGN IS MOST ACTIVE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF MORAZAN, USULUTAN, AND CHALATENANGO, WHERE THE INSURGENTS ARE STRONGEST. BEGINNING LATE ON 31 JANUARY IN CHALATENANGO, THEY ATTACKED AND SEIZED THE TOWNS OF DULCE NOMBRE DE

MARIA AND NUEVA TRINIDAD. IN THE EASTERN FRONT, THE GUERRILLAS STRUCK THE TOWNS OF CORINTO AND TOROLA AND THE CITY OF USULUTAN. THE LARGEST ATTACK APPEARS TO HAVE OCCURRED AT USULUTAN, WHERE GUERRILLAS PENETRATED THE OUTER LIMIT OF THE CITY AND ATTACKED THE GARRISON. THEY WERE UNABLE TO TAKE CONTROL OF THE CITY CENTER AND WERE FINALLY REPULSED FROM THE SUBURBS FOLLOWING A 8- TO 10-HOUR BATTLE.

3. (C//NOFORN) AS OF EARLY MORNING 4 FEBRUARY, THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF CLAIMED ALL ATTACKED TOWNS AND CITIES HAD BEEN REOCCUPIED. HOWEVER, THE TOWN OF EL MOZOTE, RETAKEN BY THE GUERRILLAS ON 29 DECEMBER FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S MORAZAN SWEEP, IS BELIEVED TO REMAIN IN GUERRILLA HANDS.

4. (C//NOFORN) IN ADDITION TO THEIR STANDARD WAR OF ATTRITION, THE GUERRILLAS APPEAR TO BE TRYING TO EXPAND AREAS OF CONTROL IN REGIONS NOT EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE MILITARY. THE GOVERNMENT FORCES ARE LARGELY CONFINED TO GROUND OPERATIONS FOLLOWING THE ILOPANGO RAID. MORE ATTACKS ON GOVERNMENT OUTPOSTS, TOWNS, AND CITIES ARE EXPECTED.

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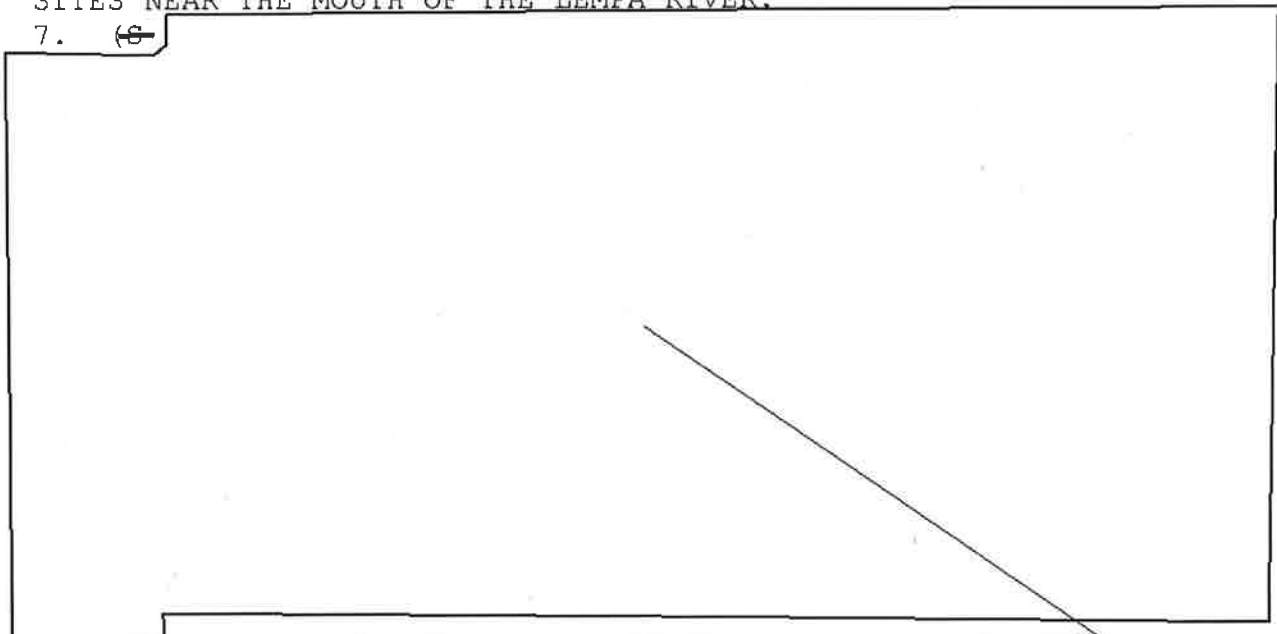
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6. ~~(C//NOFORN)~~ MEANWHILE, THE GENERAL STAFF HAS CANCELED LEAVES AND ORDERED REINFORCEMENT FOR SEVERAL TOWNS. ALTHOUGH LARGE SWEEPS

WERE PLANNED IN THE AREA NEAR CERRON GRANDE AND IN USULUTAN, PLANS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN TEMPORARILY POSTPONED BECAUSE OF THE US CONGRESS HEARINGS AND THE DESIRE TO AVOID NEGATIVE PRESS. PARTLY BECAUSE OF THIS FACTOR, THE MILITARY ARE INCREASINGLY RELUCTANT TO DIVULGE INFORMATION ON ANTIGUERRILLA OPERATIONS. THE GENERAL STAFF

IS ALSO HIGHLY CONCERNED OVER THE PERCEPTION THAT LARGE QUANTITIES OF SUPPLIES ARE BEING DELIVERED TO THE INSURGENTS ALONG THE SOUTHEAST COAST. EARLY ON 2 FEBRUARY, THE GENERAL STAFF RECEIVED WORD THAT AN UNIDENTIFIED SHIP WAS SIGHTED OFF THE USULUTAN COAST AND SMALLER BOATS WERE TRANSPORTING MEN AND MATERIEL TO LANDING SITES NEAR THE MOUTH OF THE LEMPA RIVER.

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