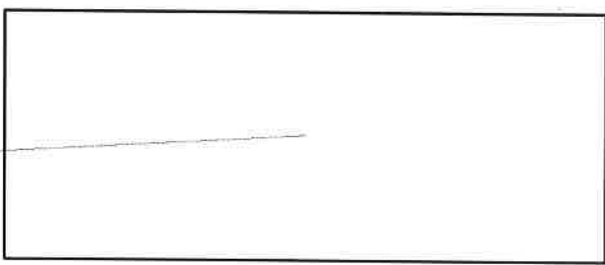


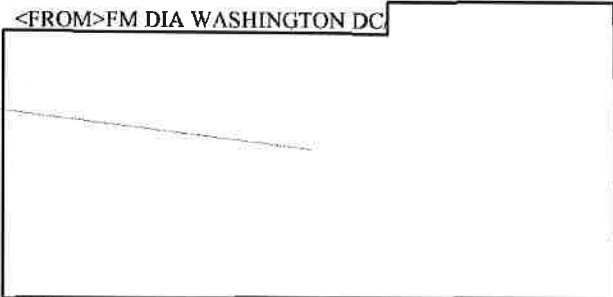
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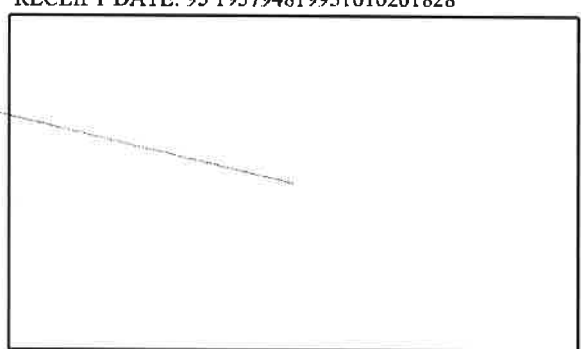
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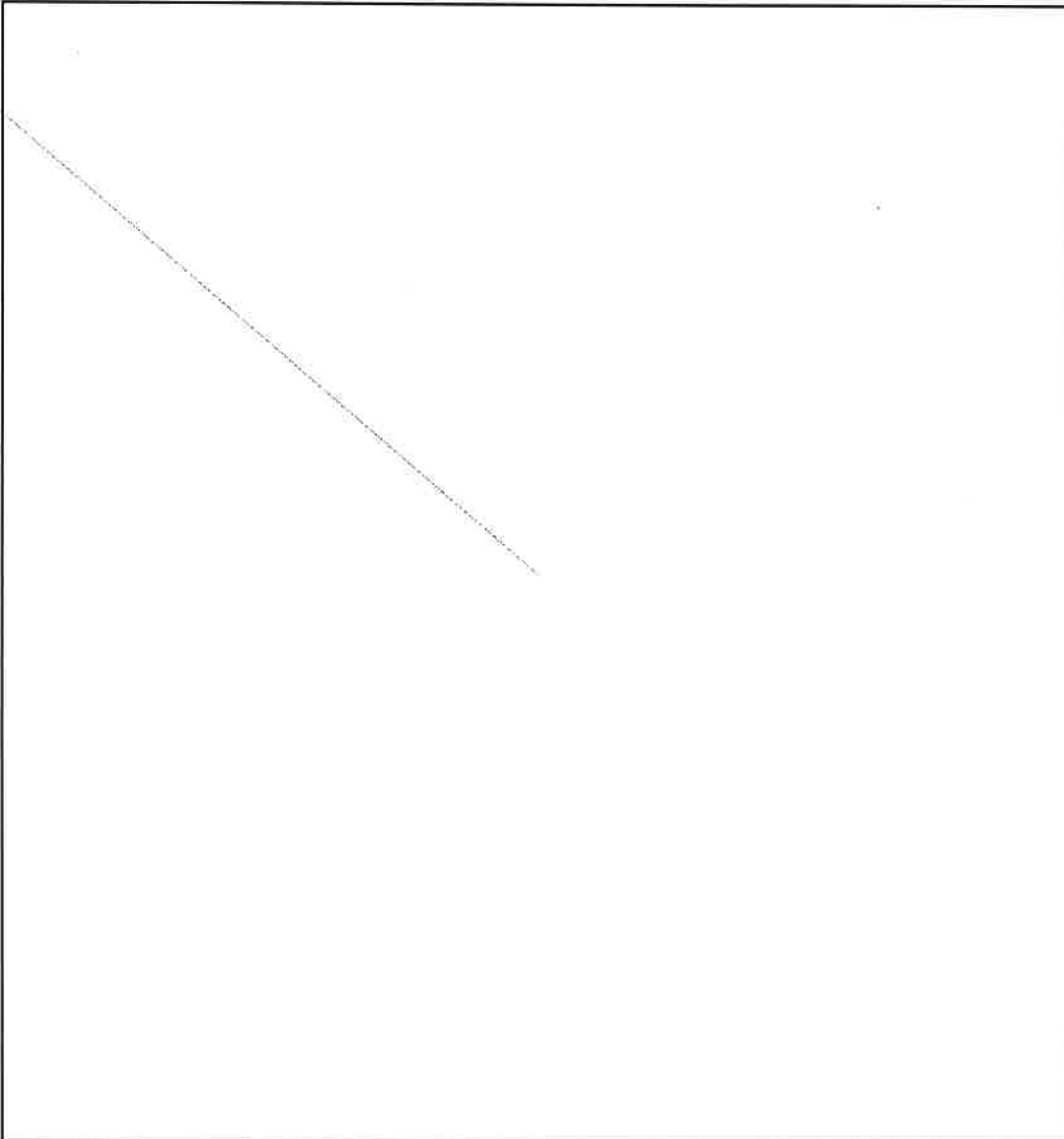
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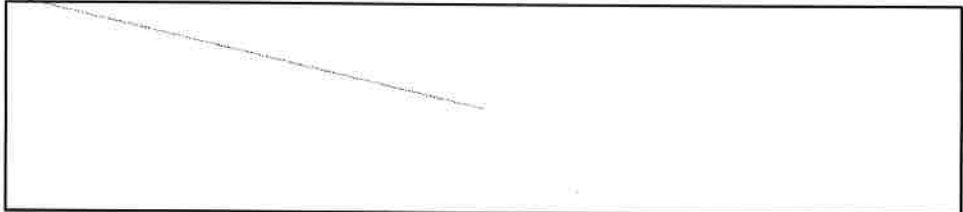
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2. (U) WORLDWIDE TERRORISM NOTES

A. (U) COLOMBIA: CAR BOMB EXPLODES NEAR MILITARY BASE. A CAR BOMB LOADED WITH APPROXIMATELY 30 KILOGRAMS OF DYNAMITE EXPLODED ON 6 OCTOBER OUTSIDE A RESTAURANT NEAR THE COLOMBIAN MILITARY BASE IN YUMBO, VALLE DEL CAUCA DEPARTMENT, WOUNDING AT LEAST SEVEN PEOPLE, INCLUDING TWO SOLDIERS. ALTHOUGH NO GROUP CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK, A PRELIMINARY COLOMBIAN ARMY INVESTIGATION PLACED BLAME ON THE MANUEL C. P. ULLOA GROUP, A HITHERTO UNKNOWN URBAN FRONT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMED FORCES OF COLOMBIA (FARC). THE REPORTED CATALYST WAS AN ONGOING ROW BETWEEN THE FARC AND LOCAL BUSINESSMEN. IF THE FARC IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS INCIDENT, IT COULD REFLECT A GROWING INCLINATION BY GUERRILLAS TO EMPLOY CAR-BOMBS AS A METHOD OF URBAN ATTACK. THE NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMY IS SUSPECTED IN THE 23 SEPTEMBER CAR BOMBING OF AN OFFICE BUILDING IN SANTANDER DEPARTMENT. IN PREVIOUS YEARS, THESE KINDS OF ATTACKS HAD BEEN FAVORED BY NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM THE FORMER MEDELLIN CARTEL HEADED BY PABLO ESCOBAR. URBAN GUERRILLA TERRORISM HAD BEEN LIMITED TO COMPARATIVELY MINOR BOMBINGS INVOLVING SMALL AMOUNTS OF DYNAMITE.

B. (U) COLOMBIA: TWO POLITICIANS ASSASSINATED. NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMY GUERRILLAS ARE BEING BLAMED FOR THE 8 OCTOBER KILLING OF FORMER CESAR DEPARTMENT GOVERNOR ARMANDO MAESTRE PABALLON AS HE DROVE ALONG A ROAD AT AN UNREPORTED LOCATION. MAESTRE'S DRIVER WAS WOUNDED IN THE MACHINE-GUN ATTACK, WHICH REMAINS UNCLAIMED. A BANK MANAGER SINCE RETIRING FROM LIBERAL PARTY POLITICS, MAESTRE HAD BEEN KIDNAPED TWO YEARS AGO BY UNSPECIFIED GUERRILLAS, WHO RELEASED HIM AFTER A RANSOM WAS PAID. IN ANOTHER INCIDENT ALSO IN CESAR DEPARTMENT, THE BODY OF A LOCAL POLITICAL ACTIVIST IN AGUACHICA WAS FOUND SHORTLY AFTER SEVERAL GUNMEN KIDNAPED HIM FROM HIS OFFICE ON 5 OCTOBER. NO GROUP HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS INCIDENT; IT IS UNKNOWN WHETHER THE TWO KILLINGS ARE RELATED.

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