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1. (U) ACCORDING TO SEPTEMBER 22 NEWS REPORTS THE MEDELLIN CARTEL HAS ANNOUNCED A MORITORIUM ON BOMBINGS IN MEDELLIN AS GOODWILL GESTURE AND TO CREATE AN ATMOSPHERE FOR DIALOGUE.

2. (C) AN EMPLOYEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TOLD THE POLCOUNS SEPTEMBER 22 THAT PABLO ESCOBAR AND GONZALO RODRIGUEZ GACHA SENT A MESSAGE THIS MORNING TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONGRESS STATING THAT THEY WISHED A DIALOGUE WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

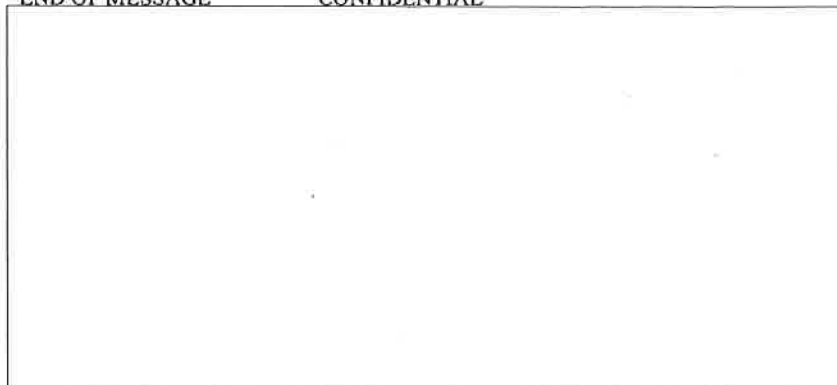
3. (L) COMMENT: REPORTS THAT AT LEAST SOME OF THE NARCO CHIEFTAINS ARE SEEKING DIALOGUE MAY MEAN THAT THEY ARE FEELING THE EFFECTS OF THE GOC ANTI-NARCO OFFENSIVE. ALTHOUGH PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO GROW WEARY OF THE BOMBINGS (EVEN THOUGH RECENT ONES HAVE NOT BEEN SEVERE), THERE IS STILL LITTLE SUPPORT FOR DIALOGUE WITH THE NARCOS AND THE GOC REMAINS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE THE PRESSURE ON THEM. END COMMENT

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