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1. (U) IN ALLEGEDLY THE FIRST "EXTRADITABLE" COMMUNIQUE SINCE THE BREAKUP OF THE ORGANIZATION WAS ANNOUNCE ON JULY 3, THE MEDELLIN BASED NARCOTERRORIST GROUP, JANUARY 6 CLAIMED THEY ARE STILL THREATENED BY THE CALI CARTEL AND THAT THEY WILL RENEW ATTACKS IF THEIR MEMBERS OR FAMILIES ARE HURT.

2. (U) UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:  
BEGIN TEXT:

FROM THE EXTRADITABLES TO THE PEOPLE OF COLOMBIA:

WE HAVE KNOWN THAT GILBERTO RODRIQUEZ OREJUELA TURNED DANDENY MUNOZ MOSQUERA OVER TO THE DEA. MUNOZ MERELY INTENDED TO UNDERGO A SPECIAL MEDICAL EXAM IN THE UNITED STATES. (NOTE: RODRIQUEZ OREJUELA IS THE BOSS OF THE CALI-MAFIA, MUNOZ, AKA LA QUICA, WAS A HIT MAN FOR THE MEDELLIN MAFIA.)

GILBERTO RODRIQUEZ OREJUELA HELPED LUIS MENESES, AKA ARIEL OTERO TO LEAVE PUERTO BOYACA IN ORDER TO PLAN AN ATTACK AGAINST MEMBERS OF THAT DEFUNCT MILITARY ORGANIZATION

JORGE ENRIQUE VELASQUEZ GONZALEZ, AKA NAVEGANTE, WHO BETRAYED RODRIQUEZ GACHA OF THE MEDELLIN ORGANIZATION, IS HIDING ARIEL OTERO.

THE EXTRADITABLES AGREEMENT TO DISARM SHOULD NOT BE MISTAKEN FOR A SIGN OF WEAKNESS, THAT ANY THREAT TO THEIR FAMILIES WILL BE MET WITH A VIOLENT RESPONSE.

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WHILE THE EXTRADITABLES ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE PEACE BY TAKING REFUGE IN THE JUSTICE OF COLOMBIA, THE CALI CARTEL IS LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO KILL THE EXTRADITABLES AND MAINTAIN THE NARCOTICS TRADE.  
END TEXT.

3. (U) BOGOTA DAILY EL TIEMPO, REPORTED THAT SEVEN HOURS AFTER THE BROADCAST, A PERSON RECOGNIZED AS THE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE GROUP CALLED THE PAPER TO DENY THE COMMUNIQUE WAS FROM THE EXTRADITABLES. IN JANUARY 7 PABLO ESCOBAR ALSO CLAIMED THAT THE BROADCAST WAS BOGUS.

5. (U) COLOMBIA'S SECURITY FORCES ARE NOT CONVINCED THAT THE COMMUNIQUE IS FAKE. THEY HAVE HYPOTHESIZED 1) ESCOBAR DID ORDER THE MESSAGE, 2) THAT A MEDELLIN CARTEL SPLINTER GROUP MAY HAVE ISSUED THE MESSAGE, OR THAT 3) ESCOBAR'S ENEMIES MAY HAVE BROADCAST THE MESSAGE IN AN EFFORT TO SEE HIM RECEIVE MORE JAIL TIME.

6. (C) COMMENT: THE MEDELLIN CARTEL HAS ISSUED SUCH COMMUNIQUE IN THE PAST IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO LAUNCHING OFFENSIVES AGAINST THE CALI CARTEL, AND IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOMETHING IS BREWING AGAINST THE CALI ORGANIZATION. ON THE OTHER HAND, SOME OBVIOUS FACTUAL ERRORS MAKE THE REPORT SEEM FAKE. LA QUICA'S ARREST WAS WELL DOCUMENTED AND DID NOT TAKE PLACE THE WAY THE COMMUNIQUE DESCRIBES. IF ATTRIBUTION OF THE COMMUNIQUE IS FALSE, IT COULD STILL INDICATE THAT ESCOBAR IS LOSING CONTROL OF HIS MAFIA WHILE HE IS BEHIND BARS AS OTHERS IN HIS ORGANIZATION VIE FOR POWER. EITHER SCENARIO COULD MEAN MORE NARCOVIOLENCE IN 1992. END COMMENT BUSBY

END OF MESSAGE

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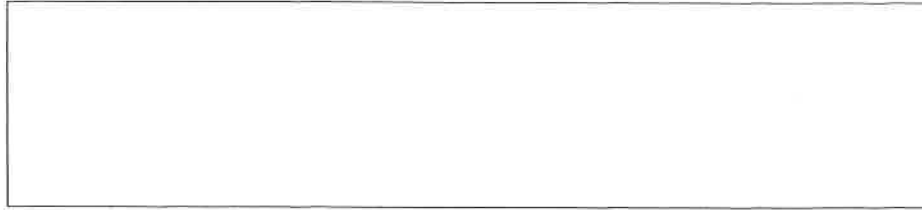
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