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2. ON DECEMBER 2, A CAR LOADED WITH APPROXIMATELY 120KG OF DYNAMITE EXPLODED OUTSIDE OF A SOCCER STADIUM IN MEDELLIN (REF A). THE BOMB EXPLODED RIGHT AFTER THE END OF A SOCCER MATCH AS SPECTATORS AND A POLICE CONVOY WERE PASSING BY. FIVE CIVILIANS AND TWELVE POLICE OFFICERS WERE KILLED AND MANY MORE PERSONS WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED. THERE IS SPECULATION THAT THIS ACT WAS ORCHESTRATED BY PABLO ESCOBAR IN RETALIATION FOR THE DEATH OF HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATE JHONNY EDISON RIVERA ACOSTA, ALIAS "EL PALOMO," WHO WAS RECENTLY GUNNED DOWN BY POLICE OFFICIALS. MEDELLIN POLICE DEFUSED TWO ADDITIONAL CAR BOMBS OVER THE WEEKEND EACH CONTAINING MORE THAN 80KG OF EXPLOSIVES. BOTH OF THESE VEHICLES WERE STOLEN AND ONE OF THEM WAS FOUND AT A FARM HOUSE WHICH HAD MORE THAN 250KG OF PREPARED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES INSIDE THE HOUSE. THE FACT THAT THESE VEHICLES WERE STOLEN RAISED DISCUSSION AMONGST THE EAC MEMBERS AS TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF TEN TAXIS STOLEN FROM BOGOTA SOME EIGHT MONTHS AGO. THIS PAST WEEKEND THREE MORE TAXIS WERE STOLEN IN BOGOTA AND THEIR DRIVERS WERE MURDERED. STOLEN TAXIS HAVE BEEN USED BY TERRORISTS FOR CAR BOMBS IN THE PAST BECAUSE THEY ARE UBIQUITOUS AND THEREFORE INCONSPICUOUS IN DENSELY POPULATED AREAS. FURTHERMORE, POLICE OFFICIALS NOTED THAT THE RADIO CONTROL SWITCHES FOUND IN THE TWO DEACTIVATED CAR BOMBS WERE

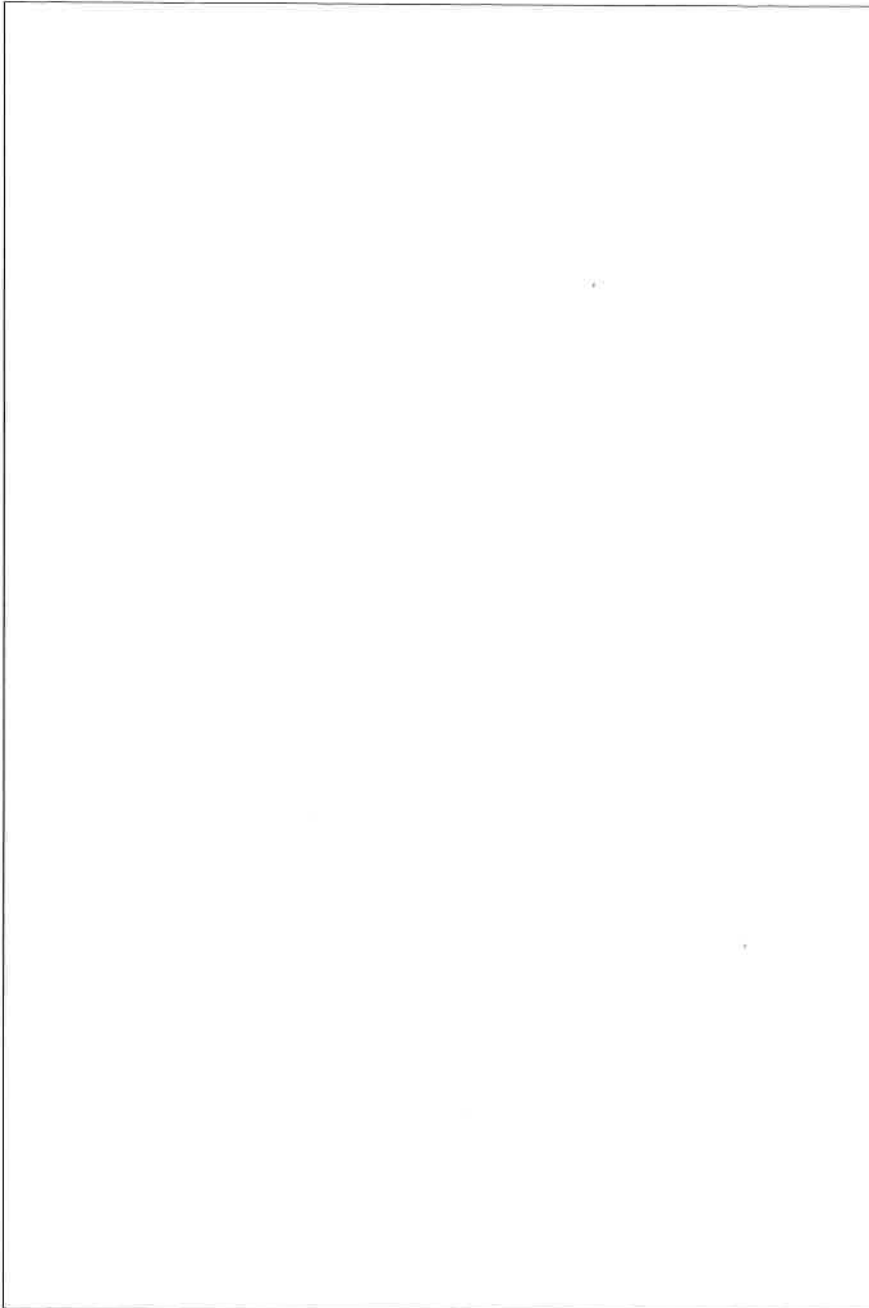
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SIMILAR TO THE RADIO SWITCHES FOUND IN A WAREHOUSE IN BOGOTA
CONTAINING MORE THAN 2700KG OF EXPLOSIVES IN DECEMBER 1989.
THIS HUGE STASH OF EXPLOSIVES BELONGED TO PABLO ESCOBAR.

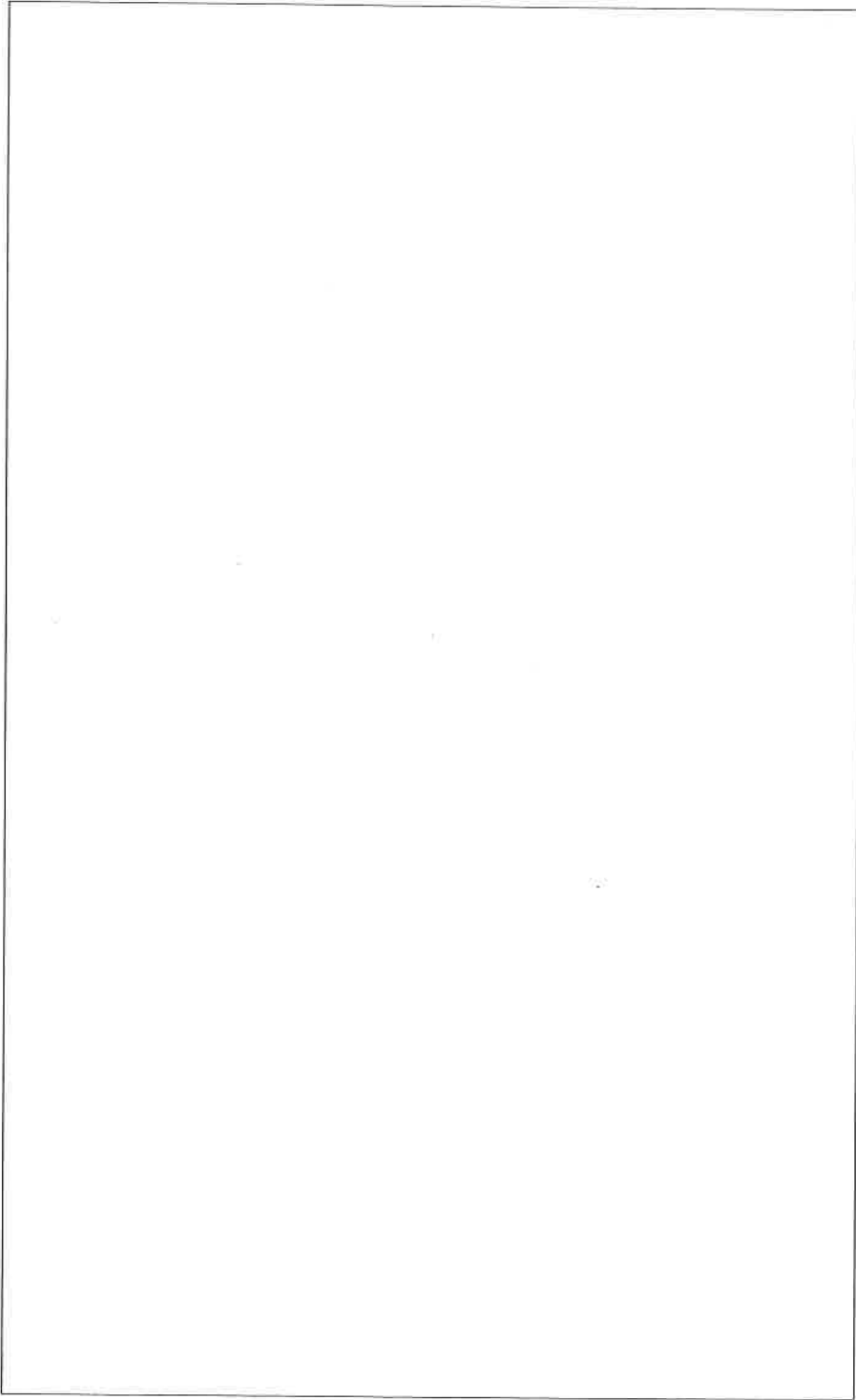


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