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SERIAL: (U) IIR [REDACTED]

/\*\*\*\*\* THIS IS A COMBINED MESSAGE \*\*\*\*\*/

BODY

COUNTRY: (U) MEXICO (MX).

SUBJECT: IIR [REDACTED] CHIAPAS, ARMY BEGINS  
HUGE CHIAPAS DEPLOYMENT, FORMS NEW TASK FORCE (U).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
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REQS: (U) [REDACTED]

SOURCE: (~~S/NF/WN~~) [REDACTED]

SUMMARY: (~~S/NF/WN~~) THE MEXICAN MILITARY ISSUED AN  
[REDACTED] ORDER [REDACTED] FORMING A DIVISION SIZED TASK  
FORCE. THE TASK FORCE, [REDACTED] INCLUDED A  
DIVISION-SIZED COMBAT ARMS ELEMENT [REDACTED]

TEXT: 1. (~~S/NF/WN~~) THE MEXICAN MILITARY ISSUED AN  
[REDACTED] ORDER [REDACTED] FORMING A DIVISION SIZED TASK  
FORCE TO BE ACTIVATED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] THE TASK FORCE,

[REDACTED] INCLUDED A DIVISION-SIZED COMBAT ARMS ELEMENT  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

5. (~~S/NF/NN~~) [REDACTED] LISTED MORE THAN TWENTY OTHER EZLN ELEMENTS, OR OTHER GUERRILLA/TERRORIST OPERATING THROUGHOUT MEXICO WHO COULD POSE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IN THE CASE OF RENEWED FIGHTING. THE KEY STATES LISTED WERE OAXACA, MICHOACAN, MORELOS, PUEBLA, AND TABASCO.

COMMENTS: (~~S/NF/NN~~) 1. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

2. (~~S/NF/NN~~) [REDACTED] COMMENT. THE PRESS HAS REPEATEDLY REPORTED MASSIVE MILITARY BUILDUPS IN THE REGION; TO DATE, THESE REPORTS HAVE PROVEN INCORRECT. NOW THE MILITARY IS MOVING FORWARD IN AN AGGRESSIVE MANNER AND IT HAS ESCAPED PRESS ATTENTION TO DATE. THIS IS BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THE DEPLOYMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE NORTH OF CHIAPAS.

3. (~~S/NF/NN~~) THE MILITARY DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT A MILITARY OPTION IS THE MOST VIABLE. IT REALIZES THAT HISTORICAL PARALLELS IN THE REGION, HOWEVER STRAINED THEY MIGHT BE, INDICATE THAT MEXICO IS IN FOR A LONG-TERM PROBLEM WITH THE INSURGENCY. THEY PREFER A POLITICAL SOLUTION, MAINLY AS AN EXTENDED CONFLICT WOULD CLEARLY REVEAL MILITARY INCAPACITY TO REACH A SATISFACTORY RESOLUTION.

4. (~~S/NF/NN~~) [REDACTED]


[REDACTED]

6. (~~S/NF/NN~~) DEFENSE PRESS RELEASES HAVE STRESSED THAT NO OTHER GUERRILLA ORGANIZATIONS EXIST IN MEXICO. THAT IS GOOD FOR PUBLIC CONSUMPTION, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

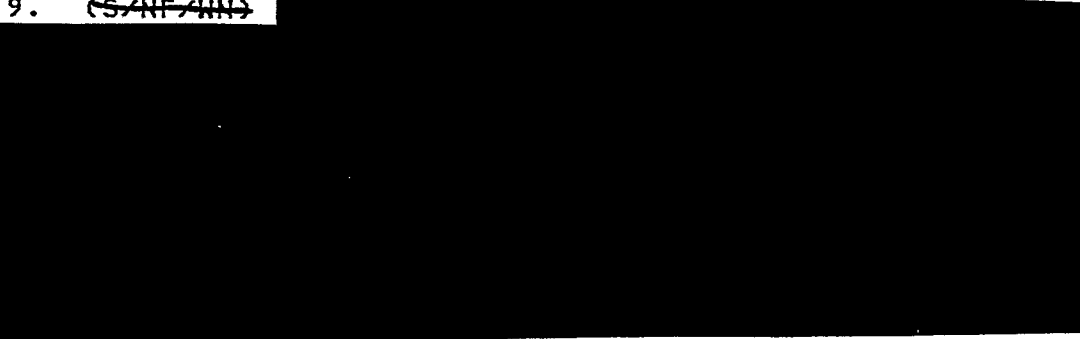
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8. ~~(S/NF/NN)~~ THE 12TH OF JANUARY IS AN IMPORTANT DAY; IT IS THE LAST DAY OF AN EZLN SELF-IMPOSED CEASE FIRE EXTENSION. THE MEXICAN ARMY HAS CONTINUED TO OBSERVE THE BASIC GUIDELINES OF THE 940112 CEASE FIRE. THE EZLN BEGAN AN OFFENSIVE 941219 AND ENDED THAT ACTION WITH A CEASE FIRE WHICH INITIALLY RAN THROUGH 950106; THE EXTENSION OF SIX DAYS WAS ANNOUNCED LATER, BRINGING US TO THIS IMPORTANT DATE.

9. ~~(S/NF/NN)~~



10. ~~(S/NF/NN)~~ THE POLITICAL SECTOR MAY BELIEVE THAT THE EZLN OFFENSIVE OF LATE DECEMBER, 1994, HAS BEEN THE ONE OF THE MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS TO THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT PARTS OF THE CIVILIAN SECTOR MAY BE APPLYING PRESSURE FOR WHAT THEY BELIEVE WILL BE A QUICK MILITARY SOLUTION TO A COMPLEX POLITICAL PROBLEM, WHICH WOULD THEN (HOPEFULLY) HELP PUT AN END TO THE POLITICAL/ECONOMIC PROBLEMS MEXICO CURRENTLY FACES. IF TRUE, THAT PERCEPTION-- THAT THE MILITARY OFFERS AN EASY, SHORT-TERM, QUICK SOLUTION TO CHIAPAS'S WOES-- IS MISGUIDED AND UNREALISTIC.



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COLL: (U) AA; AC.  
INSTR: (U) U.S. [REDACTED]  
PREP: (U) [REDACTED]  
ACQ: (U) [REDACTED]  
DISSEM: (U) [REDACTED]

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