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SUBJECT: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

REF: SAN SALVADOR 2552

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. NEW SALVADORAN AMBASSADOR IN TEGUCIGALPA, ERNESTO ARRIETA PERALTA, PAID COURTESY CALL ON AMBASSADOR MARCH 1. DURING CONVERSATION, ARRIETA CONFIRMED SOME OF THE DETAILS OF PADILLA'S ACCOUNT REPORTED REFTEL. WITH ELECTIONS UPCOMING IN EL SALVADOR, ARRIETA DOUBTED THERE COULD BE ANOTHER BORDER COMMISSION MEETING BEFORE END OF APRIL.
3. ARRIETA HIMSELF HAS ALREADY MADE GOOD CONTACTS HERE, AND GAINED ACCESS TO KEY GOV CIVILIAN AND MILITARY OFFICIALS. HE ALSO SAYS THAT BLANDON SERVED AS HIS ATTACHE WHEN HE WAS AMBASSADOR TO THE OAS AND TALKS AS IF HE IS WELL PLUGGED INTO HIS MILITARY COUNTERPARTS IN EL SALVADOR. HE APPEARS TO BE OFF TO AN AUSPICIOUS START IN HIS NEW JOB AND IT WILL BE HELPFUL TO HAVE SUCH AN EXPERIENCED DIPLOMAT REPRESENTING EL SALVADOR HERE. NEGROPONTE

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