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SERIAL: (U) IIR [REDACTED]

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BODY

COUNTRY: (U) GUATEMALA (GT).

SUBJ: IIR [REDACTED] THE INFLUENCING OF A PRESIDENT --
ONE VERSION (U)

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REQS: (U) [REDACTED]

SOURCE: A. (~~S/NF~~) [REDACTED]

B. (U) // "SIGLO VEINTIUNO" // A GUATEMALAN DAILY NEWSPAPER IN SPANISH, 8 JUNE 1993, PAGE 3.

C. (U) // "EL GRAFICO" // A GUATEMALAN DAILY NEWSPAPER IN SPANISH, 8 JUNE 1993, PAGE 7.

SUMMARY: (~~S/NF/WN~~) GENERAL ((PERUSSINA)) CONFRONTS PRESIDENT ((DE LEON)) CARPIO WITH SEVERAL OF HIS OFFICERS AND DEMANDS TO BE MADE MOD. DE LEON ACQUIESCES AND GENERAL ((ENRIQUEZ)) BECOMES CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STAFF.

TEXT: 1. (~~S/NF/WN~~) [REDACTED] PRESIDENT RAMIRO ((DE LEON)) CARPIO MADE HIS DECISION LATE ON THE AFTERNOON OF 6 JUNE TO APPOINT GENERAL MARIO RENE ((ENRIQUEZ)) MORALES TO THE POSITION OF MINISTER OF DEFENSE. BUT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GENERAL JORGE ROBERTO ((PERUSSINA)) RIVERA AND SEVERAL OF HIS OFFICERS ENTERED DE LEON'S OFFICE AT THE PRESIDENTIAL HOUSE AND CONFRONTED HIM WITH HIS DECISION.

[REDACTED] UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE PRESSURE FROM PERUSSINA AND HIS OFFICERS, DE LEON ACQUIESCED.

2. (~~S/NF/WN~~) GENERAL ENRIQUEZ WAS THEN CALLED AND ASKED TO COME TO DE LEON'S OFFICE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ENRIQUEZ HAD BECOME AWARE OF THE SITUATION AND HE ASKED DE LEON WHAT WAS HAPPENING. DE LEON INFORMED ENRIQUEZ THAT HE HAD REVERSED HIS DECISION AND ASKED ENRIQUEZ TO TAKE THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STAFF, FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, AND IN THE INTEREST OF THE ARMY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THIS CHANGE WOULD ONLY BE

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IN EFFECT FOR A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS, AFTER WHICH TIME GENERAL PERUSSINA WOULD RETIRE. [REDACTED] THIS WOULD BE EFFECTIVE AS OF 1 OCTOBER 1993.

3. ~~(S/NF/NN)~~ IN ADDITION TO THIS CHANGE, [REDACTED] GENERAL JOSE LUIS ((QUILO)) AYUSO WOULD BECOME THE VICE CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STAFF, GENERAL LUIS FRANCISCO ((ORTEGA)) MENALDO WOULD BE ASSIGNED AS THE COMMANDER, MILITARY ZONE 23 (THE PETEN), AND GENERAL JULIO FIDENCIO ((OTZOY)) COLAJ WOULD BECOME THE NEW VICE MINISTER OF DEFENSE. [REDACTED] COLONEL PEREZ WOULD ASSUME THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIAL STAFF, AND IT WAS BELIEVED THAT COLONEL RUALDO ((LEAL)) FLORES, CURRENTLY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF LOGISTICS WOULD BECOME THE NEW CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD. [REDACTED] -- COLONEL LEAL IS COLONEL PEREZ'S BROTHER-IN-LAW.)

4. ~~(S/NF/NN)~~ [REDACTED] THE NEW DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE (D-2) WOULD BE COLONEL JOSE HORACIO ((SOTO)) SALAN, CURRENTLY THE COMMANDER OF THE POLICIA MILITAR AMBULANTE (PMA). [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE ASSISTANT D-2 WILL AGAIN BE COLONEL MARIO ALFREDO ((MERIDA)) GONZALEZ, WHO HAD BEEN REASSIGNED FROM THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT D-2 ON 3 JUNE TO THE POSITION OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF A.V. HALL, SAN MARCOS. [REDACTED] COLONEL HECTOR MARIO ((BARRIOS)) CELADA WOULD CONTINUE AS THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS.

5. (U) SOURCE 'B' REPORTED ON THE MORNING OF 8 JUNE THAT PRESIDENT DE LEON CARPIO ANNOUNCED THAT GENERAL PERUSSINA WOULD BE THE MOD, GENERAL OTZOY THE VICE MINISTER, GENERAL ENRIQUEZ THE CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STAFF WITH GENERAL QUILO THE VICE CHIEF AND COLONEL PEREZ AS THE CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIAL STAFF.

6. (U) SOURCE 'C' ALSO REPORTED IN THE MORNING EDITION OF 8 JUNE THE SAME AS SOURCE 'B', BUT WITH THE ADDITION OF GENERAL ORTEGA BEING ASSIGNED TO MILITARY ZONE 23 (THE PETEN).

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

[REDACTED] WHILE EACH REPORT HAS CONTAINED A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF TRUTH, THE PLAYERS THEMSELVES HAVE NOT BEEN SATISFIED AND HAVE CHANGED THE RULES AND THE OUTCOME. THE GENERAL ORDER ANNOUNCING THE FINAL [REDACTED] CHANGES WILL BE PUBLISHED SHORTLY. THEN AND ONLY THEN WILL WE BE ABLE TO TRULY CONFIRM WHO'S ON FIRST AND WHAT'S ON SECOND.

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2. (S/NF) [REDACTED]

THERE PROBABLY WILL NOT BE TOTAL HARMONY WITHIN THE ARMY UNTIL HE RETIRES, SO PERUSSINA'S SHORT TERM AS MOD IS A GOOD THING. GEN ORTEGA'S ASSIGNMENT IS UNUSUAL IN THAT ZONE COMMANDS ARE NORMALLY GIVEN TO COLONELS, AND THAT ORTEGA HAD BEEN THE PETEN COMMANDER IN LATE 1990 EARLY 1991. WE UNDERSTAND, HOWEVER, THAT ORTEGA ASKED FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT, CHOOSING TO BYPASS AN OFFER OF BECOMING THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

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ACQ: (U) GUATEMALA, GUATEMALA CITY (930607-930608).

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