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SUBJECT: PERONISTS REPORTEDLY PREPARING TO MOVE AGAINST TERRORISTS

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1. SUMMARY: ACCORDING TO RELIABLE EMBASSY LABOR SOURCES, PRESIDENT CAMPORA HAS GIVEN GREEN LIGHT TO METAL WORKER UNION (UOM) LEADER LORENZO MIGUEL TO ORGANIZE AN ALL OUT ANTI-TERRORIST AND ANTI-TROTSKYITE CAMPAIGN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED CENTRAL SECURITY COMMAND (CCS) OF THE JUSTICIALISTA MOVEMENT. SOURCES TOLD LABATT THAT FORMER PERONIST YOUTH LEADER RODOLFO GALIMBERTI HAS BEEN PLACED IN CHARGE OF THE CCS AND HAS ESTABLISHED PROVISIONAL OFFICES AT UOM HEADQUARTERS IN BUENOS AIRES. END SUMMARY.

2. FOREMENTIONED SOURCES REPORT THAT MIGUEL WITH SEVERAL OTHER KEY PERONIST LABOR LEADERS MET WITH CAMPORA ON MAY 30 TO WARN THE PRESIDENT OF TROTSKYITE-COMMUNIST DESIGNS TO INFILTRATE THE LABOR MOVEMENT WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY CONDUCTING ALL OUT TERRORIST CAMPAIGN AGAINST FOREIGN ENTERPRISE AND THE MILITARY. MIGUEL ALLEGEDLY TOLD CAMPORA THAT THE NEW TERRORIST EFFORT WAS AIMED AT DISCREDITING GOA

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AND REDUCING PERONIST CONTROL OF ORGANIZED LABOR. SOURCES QUOTED MIGUEL AS SAYING "IF WE DON'T MOVE NOW SEVERAL KEY UNIONS COULD BE IN "TROSKO" HANDS IN MATTER OF MONTHS."

3. UNION LEADERS FEAR THAT TWO UNIONS, SANIDAD (HEALTH WORKERS) AND UPCN (CIVIL SERVANTS), ARE ALREADY IN DANGER OF FALLING. HECTOR LOPEZ WAS REPORTEDLY FORCED TO RESIGN AS UPCN SECRETARY-GENERAL LAST WEEK. LOPEZ IS NOT PERONIST BUT IS CGT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN AND CLOSELY LINKED TO NEO-VANDORISTA SECTOR OF PERONIST LABOR.

4. ACCORDING TO SOURCES, GALIMBERTI WAS SELECTED FOR TOP CCS JOB BY PERON HIMSELF LAST MONTH AFTER BEING SACKED AS HEAD OF PERONIST YOUTH MOVEMENT. SOURCES SAID GALIMBERTI IS TEMPORARILY WORKING OUT OF UOM HEADQUARTERS IN LIAISON WITH SPECIAL UNION ANTI-TERRORIST COMMAND. SOURCES ALSO CLAIM THAT UOM HAS COMPREHENSIVE PERSONAL DATA FILE ON KEY TROTSKYITE LEADERS COMPILED OVER PAST THREE YEARS WHICH HAVE BEEN PLACED AT GALIMBERTI'S DISPOSITION.

5. PERONIST LABOR LEADERS ATTENDING EXTRAORDINARY CGT CONGRESS ARE OPENLY DISCUSSING ANTI-TERRORIST CAMPAIGN ALTHOUGH MOST ARE APPARENTLY

UNAWARE OF DETAILS OF GALIMBERTI'S OPERATION. PERONIST YOUTH HAVE EVIDENTLY BEEN INSTRUCTED TO STAY AWAY FROM CGT CONGRESS WHICH WAS INAUGURATED BY VICE-PRESIDENT SOLANO LIMA AND NEW MINISTER OF SOCIAL WELFARE LOPEZ REGA. CAMPORA IS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT CONGRESS TOMORROW JUNE 2. WITH MORE THAN 100 CGT "GUARDS" AT CGT CONGRESS SITE TO PREVENT "REPEAT OF TROSKO INSPIRED DISTURBANCES AT MAY 25 PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION," CGT CONGRESS IS BEING CONDUCTED IN NEAR SERENE AMBIENT. SPEECHES THUS FAR HAVE BEEN NOTABLY MODERATE.

6. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO THESE REPORTS, THE PERONIST YOUTH AND PERONIST LABOR (RATHER THAN JUST THE YOUTH AS INDICATED IN REFTTEL), ARE NOW WORKING TOGETHER, DESPITE THEIR ANTAGONISTIC POSTURES UP TO THIS TIME, IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE A CONCENTRATED EFFORT TO ELIMINATE EXTREMIST OPPOSITION TO THE CAMPORA GOVERNMENT. PERON IN THE PAST HAS PERMITTED, IF NOT ENCOURAGED LABOR-YOUTH DIVISIONS AS A MEANS OF ASSURING HIS CONTROL OF THE PERONIST MOVEMENT. NOW WITH THE PERONISTS IN POWER, HE IS UNIFYING THEM. ORGANIZED LABOR'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE CENTRAL SECURITY COMMAND (WHICH CONFIRMED BY SRF) IS SIGNIFICANT AND REMINISCENT OF THE PERON YEARS WHEN THE

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"PERONIST BOYS" OF LABOR WERE THE WILLING AND EFFECTIVE GUARDIANS OF THE PERON REGIME. IF SOURCE REPORTS ARE TRUE, THE TERRORISTS MAY SOON BE YEARNING FOR SOME GOOD OLD-FASHIONED MILITARY REPRESSION. THE "VIGILANTE" ACTION APPARENTLY CONTEMPLATED MEANS EVEN THE POLICE MIGHT BE LEFT OUT OF THE PICTURE. USE OF "COMMANDOS" IN THIS KIND OF OPERATION, HOWEVER, GIVES RISE TO OTHER CONCERNS, SINCE IN THE FUTURE THEY MAY HAVE OTHER ANTI-PERONIST TARGETS.

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