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1. AT THIS CRITICAL JUNCTURE IN EL SALVADOR, [REDACTED] BELIEVE THAT REPORTING FROM ALL POSSIBLE SOURCES ABOUT EVENTS IN THE COUNTRY IS IMPORTANT.

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2. FOLLOWING ARE REQUIREMENTS [REDACTED]

A. INTELLIGENCE REPORTING INDICATES THAT LEADERS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY DEMOCRATIC FRONT (FDR) OPPOSED THE RECENT FMLN OFFENSIVE. IS THIS INFORMATION ACCURATE?

B. HAVE FDR LEADER GUILLERMO UNGO AND OTHER FDR OFFICIALS TAKEN REFUGE IN FOREIGN EMBASSIES IN SAN SALVADOR, AS SOME REPORTING INDICATES? WHAT IS THEIR MOTIVATION FOR DOING SO?

C. WERE FDR LEADERS PRIVY TO STRATEGIC OR TACTICAL DETAILS CONCERNING THE OFFENSIVE? REPORTING GENERALLY HAS INDICATED THAT, ALTHOUGH THERE WERE PROBABLY SOME IN THE FMLN LEADERSHIP WHO

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BELIEVED THAT THE OFFENSIVE WOULD SPARK THE LONG-DISCUSSED GENERAL INSURRECTION, THE GOALS OF THE FMLN ARE LESS AMBITIOUS BUT ALMOST EQUALLY IMPORTANT. REPORTING SUGGESTS THAT THE FMLN WANTS TO SHOW INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS, ESPECIALLY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, IT CONTINUES TO BE A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH, AND TO PORTRAY THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR (GOES) AND THE SALVADORAN ARMED FORCES (ESAF) AS REPRESSIVE AND IN THE WORST POSSIBLE LIGHT. FMLN LEADERS ALSO WANT TO AGGRAVATE TENSIONS WITHIN THE GOES AND IN ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE MILITARY AND THE U.S. THEY ALSO DESIRE CONCESSIONS FROM THE GOES IN THE DIALOGUE PROCESS, CONCESSIONS THEY PERCEIVED AS NOT FORTHCOMING.

D. THE MURDER OF SIX JESUITS AND TWO LAY PEOPLE AT THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (UCA), INCLUDING THE RECTOR AND VICE RECTOR, IS FRONT PAGE NEWS HERE.

SOME REPORTING SUGGESTS THAT THE DEED COULD HAVE BEEN DONE BY FMLN ASSASSINS, DISGUISED AS SALVADORAN SECURITY OR MILITARY PERSONNEL. PAST REPORTING ALSO HAS INDICATED THE FMLN PLANNED TO MURDER MEMBERS OF THE SALVADORAN LEFT WHOM THEY BELIEVED EXPENDABLE IN ORDER TO FURTHER PORTRAY THE GOES AND ESAF AS ABUSERS OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

E. HOW WILL THE CURRENT SITUATION AFFECT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE FDR AND FMLN? PAST REPORTING HAS SHOWN THAT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY STRAINED. WILL THE OFFENSIVE FURTHER STRAIN THE RELATIONSHIP, OR WILL EVENTS, SUCH AS THE UCA MURDERS, AGAIN MOVE THEM CLOSER?

F. COMMENT ON CONTINUED CUBAN AND NICARAGUAN SUPPORT FOR THE FMLN, DESPITE SANDINISTA COMMENTS THAT THEIR SUPPORT HAS ENDED?

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