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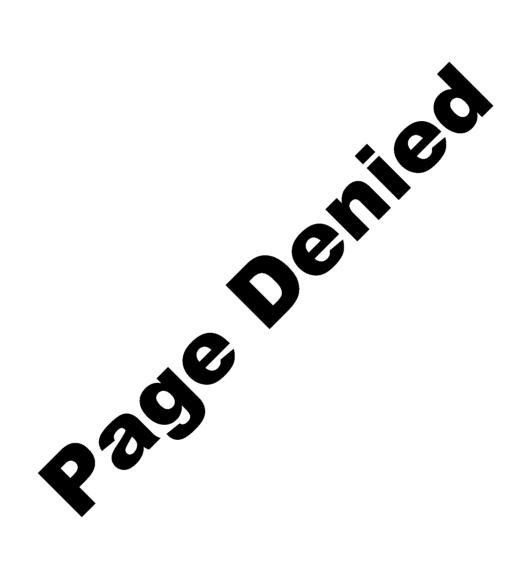
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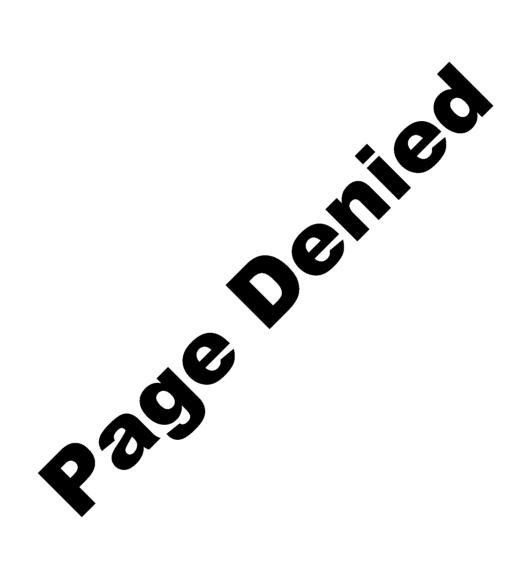
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Lockwood Kidnapped Again in Argentina

On 31 July Charles Agnew Lockwood, the British director of Roberts and Company, an Argentine financial firm which represents Morgan Guarantee International of London and Barring Brothers and Company of London, was kidnapped for the second time in as many years. The abduction took place at a railroad crossing not far from Lockwood's home. Twenty persons, some disguised as railroad workers, stopped Lockwood's car at gunpoint while Lockwood was on his way to work. In the fire fight which followed, two of Lockwood's bodyguards and his chauffeur were wounded. Lockwood reportedly was not injured. The kidnappers left behind Lockwood's daughters, who were also unharmed.

In the earlier kidnapping the terrorists, who were believed to be members of the People's Revolutionary Army (ERP), held Lockwood from 6 July until 29 July 1973 and released him for a ransom which may have run as high as \$2 million. (See the 13 June, 26 June and 1 August 1973 issues.) The identity of Lockwood's current abductors is not yet known. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ACTS

Date:

31 July 1975

Place:

Argentina, Buenos Aires British Executive Kidnapped A British executive of an Argentine financial firm was kidnapped from his car by armed terrorists on 31 July. The chauffeur and two bodyguards were wounded in a shoot-out with the kidnappers. This is the second time the executive has been kidnapped. No demands have been reported as (See Notes.)

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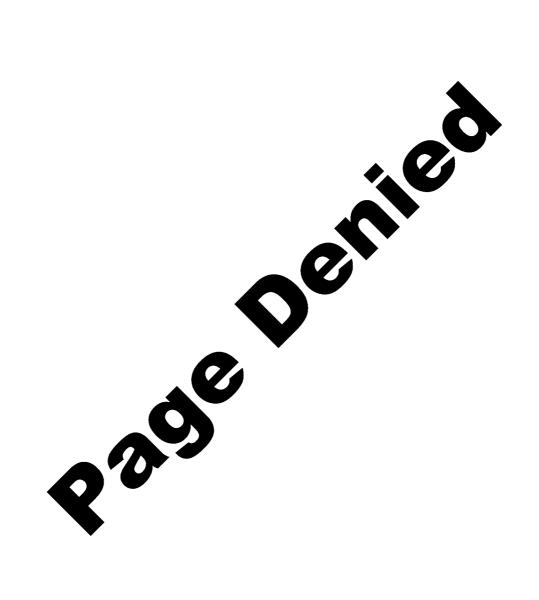
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Possible Split Between the Montoneros and the FAR

The Revolutionary Armed Forces (FAR) and the Montoneros may have decided to end their coalition, which has been in existence since October 1973, and once again go their separate ways. The reasons for the breakup center around differences in operational philosophies as well as a personality clash between Roberto Quieto, the leader of the FAR, and Mario Firmenich who leads the Montoneros. Quieto represents the Marxist militant faction of the Montoneros and firmly believes in the utilization of violence to attain political ends. During the past year, Quieto has quietly been trying to gain control of the organization's terrorist capabilities.

Firmenich, on the other hand, believes that the Montoneros' political objectives can largely be achieved through legal means, but he does not discount the need for armed operations. Firmenich has approved of most of the Montoneros' recent armed activities including the recent terrorist uprising in Cordoba and the activities which took place around 26 July, the anniversary of the death of Evita Peron.

The dispute came to a head during the last week in July when Fernando Vacca Narvaja, a militant member of the coalition, launched a terrorist operation in La Plata in open disobedience of Firmenich's orders but with the tacit approval of Quieto. After the La Plata operation, the two leaders met and decided to break up the organization.

Under the terms of the separation agreement, the Montoneros will retain their own name. The groups will divide in half the money that has been obtained through armed operations. The Montoneros will keep eighty percent of the logistical items and will keep any ransom received for the release of Charles Lockwood. (See separate note.) The FAR is taking 300 well-trained and experienced combatants, but the Montoneros will retain enough trained members to maintain a terrorist capability. Finally, and perhaps most ominously of all, it has been reported that Quieto has been holding meetings with the leaders of the People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) to discuss the possibility of joining forces.

With the FAR out on its own, an increase in FAR-sponsored terrorist incidents, possibly against international targets, can be expected, particularly since the restraints placed on

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Quieto by the less violence prone members of the Montoneros will now be absent. If Quieto's talks with the ERP are successful, the resulting group would represent a particularly formidable threat. One factor which mitigates against such a union is the fact that Quieto is a very capable leader and would not want to be subordinate to ERP commander Mario Roberto Santucho, who does not have the political stature of Firmenich.

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Lockwood Released, Possible Identification of Egan's Assassins

Charles A. Lockwood, a British financier who was kidnapped on 31 July, was reportedly quietly released after his company paid an unknown amount of ransom. The time and date of Lockwood's release has not been reported. It is now believed that Lockwood was kidnapped by the Revolutionary Armed Forces (FAR) faction of the Montoneros and then turned over to the Montoneros after the two groups decided to separate. As part of the terms of separation, the Montoneros were to receive any ransom paid for Lockwood's release. (See separate article.)

In other developments, the 8 August issue of "Ultima Hora", an Argentine tabloid, carried a story that 36 members of the FAR were arrested in Cordoba in raids conducted by the local police. Documents picked up in the raids linked the FAR with the 26 February 1975 murder of U.S. Consular Agent John P. Egan. Egan's death had been blamed on the Montoneros (his body was found wrapped in a Montonero flat), however, the FAR was part of the Montoneros at that time and thus it is possible that the FAR was deeply involved. The Embassy will seek official corroboration of the involvement of those arrested with Egan's death. (See the 4 March 1975 issue.)

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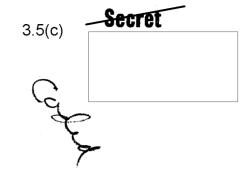
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Terrorists Attack Cuban Ambassador to Argentina

On 13 August three or four unidentified individuals who are believed to belong to Accion Cubana, an anti-Castro Cuban exile terrorist organization, attempted to assassinate or abduct the Cuban Ambassador to Argentina. The attempt, which occurred just as the ambassador was returning to the embassy in his car, was foiled by the quick action of the ambassador's chauffeur, who became suspicious of a car parked near the embassy entrance with its motor idling. The chauffeur accelerated rapidly in order to gain sanctuary inside the embassy garage. When they noticed this evasive action, the occupants of the parked car opened fire with long-barreled weapons, one of which may have been a submachine gun. The ambassador's car was not hit, but a second embassy car following the ambassador had its windshield shot out and received several bullet holes. No one in either car was injured.

On 14 August an Accion Cubana spokesman in Miami issue press release to a local radio station and to Associated Pr The press release stated that Accion Cubana plus a number o other organizations were responsible for the attempted kidn ping of the Cuban Ambassador to Argentina.	ess.
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Date:	13 August 1975	Cuban Officials Attacked Three or four unidentified ter-
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		tering the embassy compound. The Cuban Ambassador was in one
		car and a visiting Cuban official and an attache were in the
	·	other. No one was injured. Accion Cubana, an anti-Castro
		Cuban exile group, claimed credit for this attack. (See
	,	Articles.)
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Place:	Argentina		People's Revolutionary Army traditionally commemorates	
			its anniversary by carrying	
Date:	22 August 1975		out acts of violence on	

22 August. Appropriate officials in Argentina are alert to this possibility.

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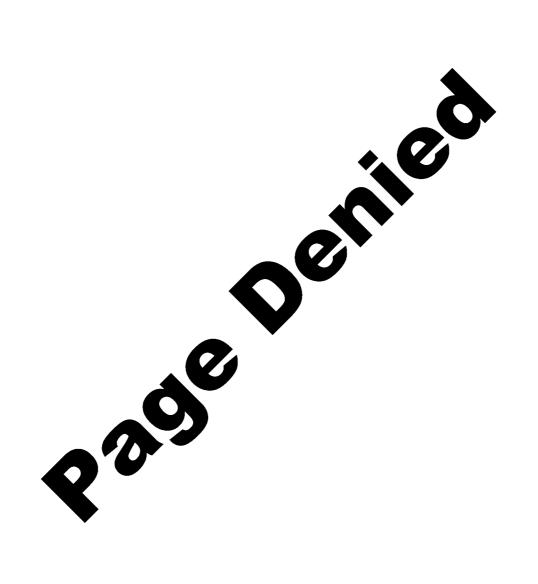
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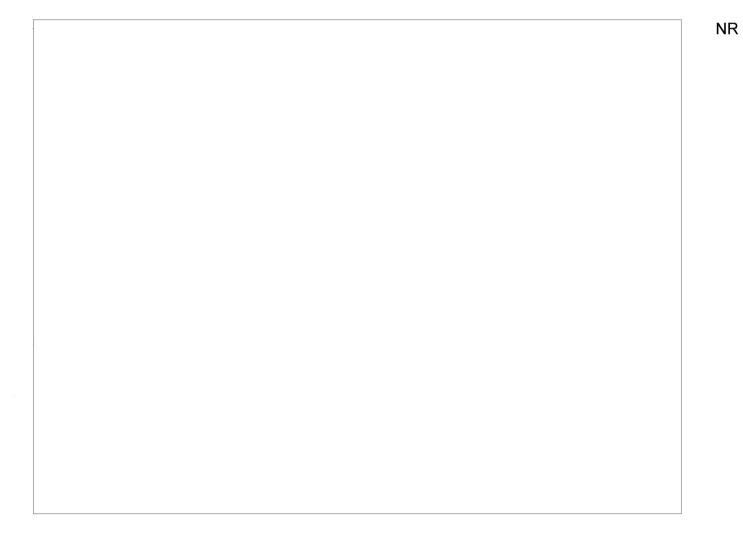


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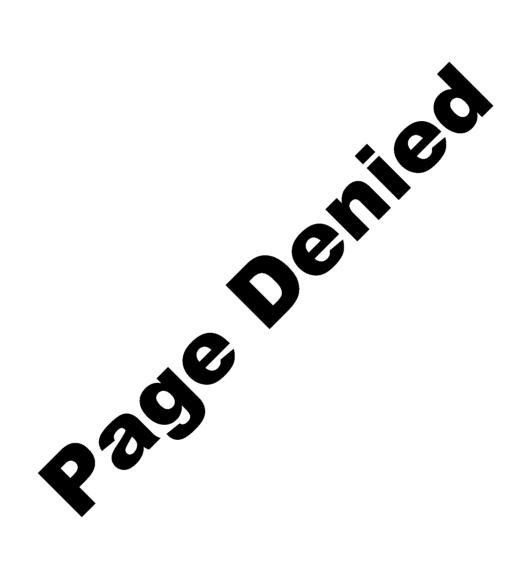
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I. Terrorist Threats and Plans:

Western Hemisphere, Including the United States

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Target: First National City

Bank Manager

Place: Bolivia, La Paz

Date: Unknown

On 22 August Spanish citizen Mariano Cid, manager of the First National City Bank in La Paz, Bolivia, received a letter which threatened his life. The letter, signed with the initials MMM, also warned Cid not to report the matter to the U.S. Embassy. Cid was previously manager of the FNCB branch in Cordoba, Argentina and was reportedly involved as a go-between in two kidnapping cases there. Cid thought the MMM might have some connection with the Argentine Anti-Communist Alliance (AAA), a rightwing terrorist group.

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Bolivian authorities discount this, however, and believe the letter probably was sent by a disgruntled bank customer.

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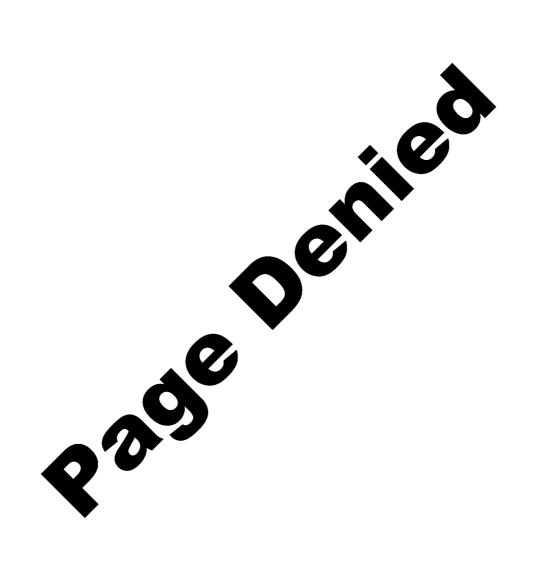


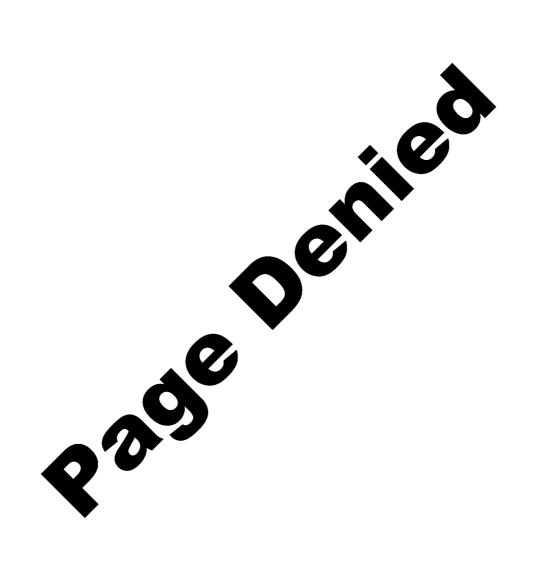












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