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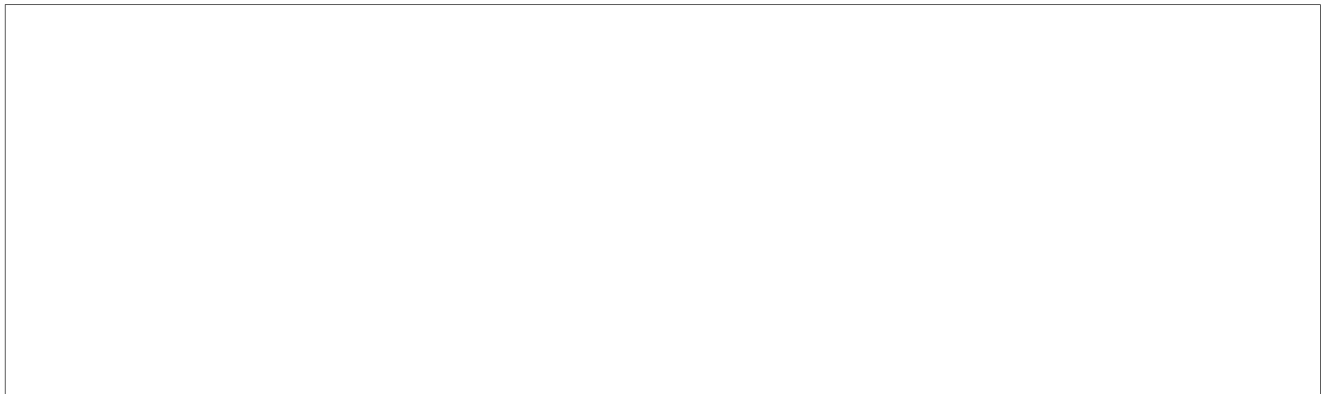
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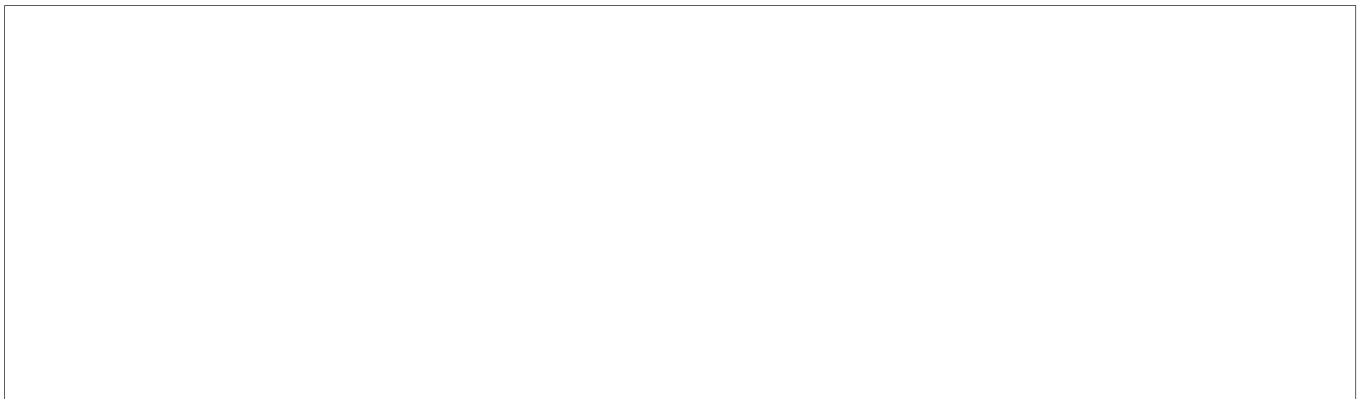


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CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ACTS

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Date: 29 January 1976Place: Argentina,
Buenos AiresTwo Bendix Officials
Assassinated

Two Bendix officials, Argentine citizens, were killed in their offices by terrorists. A small bomb destroyed the interior of the general manager's office. A policeman was also killed when he tried to interfere with the terrorists. A Montonero slogan was painted on the outside wall of the offices. (Comment: The terrorists initially asked for the general manager, but he was out of town. It is not known if he is an American.)

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I. Terrorist Threats and Plans:Western Hemisphere, Including the United States

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Target: Foreign Embassies ** The Montoneros may attack foreign embassies in Buenos Aires if Roberto Quieto, deputy commander of the Montoneros and recently arrested by Argentine authorities, is killed, [REDACTED]

Place: Argentina, Buenos Aires

Date: Unknown

[REDACTED] The Montoneros intend to continue their terrorist campaign, which so far has been directed against policemen, in an effort to force authorities to acknowledge Quieto's detention and to legally consign him to the judicial system. [REDACTED]

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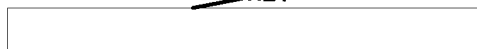


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Place: Argentina, Buenos Aires businessman in Buenos Aires
Date: Current received a notice from the
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 days to get out of the
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 are being implemented.

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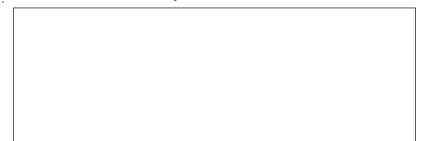
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PSRE Cases Diplomatic Missions in Quito for Possible Terrorist Campaign

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[redacted] the Revolutionary Socialist Party of Ecuador may be gearing up for possible future terrorist action in Ecuador with the help of the Argentine People's Revolutionary Army (ERP). Members of the PSRE are quietly studying the security measures at the diplomatic missions of the United States, the United Kingdom, West Germany, Bolivia, Uruguay, Paraguay, Brazil and Chile in both Quito and Guayaquil for the purpose of undertaking future operations against these targets. Included in the PSRE's surveillance are photographs and sketches of the target installations.

The PSRE is also undertaking a small-scale program of urban guerrilla warfare training which includes instruction in the use of explosives and small arms handling. One of the objectives of the training is instruction in the sabotage of factories as well as agitation techniques to cause labor unrest. The training is being given to seven groups of five men each, three of which are located in Quito and two in Guayaquil.

The Argentine ERP has offered to train PSRE members, if they can go to Argentina, and to provide financial support to the PSRE. As of early February 1976, Ramiro Fernando Maldonado, the Secretary General of the PSRE, was involved in efforts to arrange and finance the travel of seven PSRE members to Argentina. In return for the ERP's assistance, Maldonado has offered to provide the ERP with false documentation, including passports, and has made a safesite in Quito available to the ERP in the event that ERP members are forced to leave Argentina. Once the promised support from the ERP is definite, the PSRE will launch a propaganda campaign in Ecuador announcing solidarity between the two organizations.

The PSRE is a leftist pro-Cuban offshoot of the Socialist Party which staged terrorist activities, including robberies, in the early 1970's. The organization was severely disrupted by a government crackdown in October 1972, and it has not attempted any major activities since that time.

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Date: 12 February 1976Place: Argentina,
Buenos AiresShots Fired at Australian
Embassy

Shots were fired at the Australian embassy from a passing automobile in the early morning hours of 12 February.

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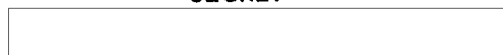


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ERP May Again Be Concentrating on U.S. Targets in Argentina

The People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) may be planning to step up its terrorist campaign against American targets in Argentina. It was learned in early February that the ERP leadership has been considering intensifying operations against the United States, particularly against U.S. mission personnel and buildings in Buenos Aires. To further this end, the ERP formed a special unit in late 1974 which is specifically tasked with developing information on U.S. officials and other Americans in Argentina. [redacted]

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[redacted] the special unit has developed information on the interior and exterior of the U.S. embassy as well as neighboring buildings, and is also collecting information on the new U.S. chancery, which is currently under construction.

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[redacted] the ERP plans to enlist the cooperation of the Montoneros in conducting operations against American targets, as well as against the Argentine armed forces. [redacted] the Montoneros would probably be willing to cooperate with the ERP in joint operations and thought that these operations might be timed to create chaos in the aftermath of a military coup. The Montoneros believe such a coup will take place shortly.

The morale of the ERP rank and file has been low during the past few months, chiefly because of the lack of a conspicuous success during a considerable time. [redacted]

[redacted] the ERP lost a full company in Buenos Aires and has been badly hurt in Tucuman province by the government's counter-subversion campaign. Nine ERP military chiefs are reportedly in jail, and some ERP leaders feel that the government has infiltrated the organization. Other leaders have stated that the Argentine Anti-Communist Alliance (AAA) may have hurt the ERP by instilling sufficient fear among the people to discourage them from joining or cooperating with the ERP. Despite all these losses, [redacted]

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[redacted] the ERP currently has 2,000 armed militants with another 2,000 in reserve.

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While operations against U.S. diplomatic targets by the ERP and the Montoneros would certainly upgrade the danger to U.S. personnel, no solid information has been received that both organizations have actually agreed to

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Argentine ERP May Be Losing Faith in Revolutionary
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In mid-February a provincial leader of the Argentine People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) remarked, [redacted] that the ERP is discouraged with the Revolutionary Coordinating Junta (JCR). (The JCR, a loose union of various Latin American extremist groups dominated by the ERP, was described in detail in the issue of 22 December 1975.) This leader said that in the ERP's opinion the JCR has not been a success. While it has made some progress in Chile, it has failed in Bolivia and Uruguay. Some ERP leaders feel that ERP representatives in Europe have been softened by too much of the good life. [redacted]

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Target: PAN AMERICAN ** The Pan American World
 MANAGING DIRECTOR Airways director has been
Place: Argentina, threatened with death by
 Buenos Aires an anonymous caller who
 said he was a member of
 the Montonero guerrilla
Date: Unknown organization Ala 22 (Wing
 22), according to an FBI
 report. Ala 22 is an un-
 familiar designation, and
 Argentine authorities doubt
 that the threat originated

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