Attached from Legat, Buenos Aires, advises officials of the Federal Police of Argentina (FPA) and the Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP) provided the following information regarding recent terrorist activities in Argentina:

On 10/23/75, terrorists in Cordoba attempted to kidnap an official of a subsidiary of Ford Motor Company. He escaped unharmed after a shoot out between terrorists and his guards. During the week of 10/20/75, BAPP arrested an Argentine citizen who was operating a printing shop and short wave radio station for the Montoneros Argentine guerrilla organization. He admitted he had been a member of a Palestinian terrorist group. On 10/23/75, terrorists attempted to assassinate the FPA Deputy Chief. There was an hour-long fire fight and the official's bodyguards managed to hold off terrorists until FPA reinforcements arrived. The official escaped without injury. Members of the Argentine terrorist organization, People's Revolutionary Army - August 22 faction, assassinated a retired Argentine Air Force colonel on 10/26/75. The colonel's son was seriously wounded. Also early on 10/26/75, a member of the Montoneros...
ambushed two BAPP cruisers using automatic weapons and hand grenades. Four BAPP officers died in this encounter. On 10/23/75, a tire company official was kidnapped and later released after a large ransom was paid. On 10/24/75, a wealthy Argentine cattle breeder and businessman was kidnapped. On 10/27/75, a West German citizen and Director of Production for the Mercedes Benz Company was kidnapped by the Montonero guerrilla organization.

Our Legat coordinated this matter locally. Pertinent data in attached sent by teletype to Central Intelligence Agency; Secret Service and State Department. Classified by 37XGDS 2, indefinite.
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Two confidential sources abroad who are officials of the intelligence services of the federal police of Argentina (FPA) and the Buenos Aires provincial police (BAPP) provided the following summary of recent terrorist activities in Argentina:

On October 23, 1975, terrorists in Cordoba, Argentina, attempted to kidnap Eduardo J. Johnes, the Director of Labor Relations of the Transax Company, a subsidiary of the Ford Motor Company. The terrorists attempted to intercept Johnes as he was returning to his suburban Cordoba residence; however, Johnes escaped unharmed after a violent shootout between the terrorists and his guards, who were accompanying him.

During the week of October 20, 1975, the BAPP arrested a
30-YEAR OLD ARGENTINE CITIZEN, ISMAEL JACINTO HAIK, WHO WAS OPERATING A PRINTING SHOP AND SHORT WAVE RADIO STATION FOR THE MONTONERO ARGENTINE GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION. AT THE TIME OF HIS ARREST, HAIK HAD TWO PUBLICATIONS "CUESTIONES ARABES" ("ARAB QUESTIONS") AND "LA VOZ DE PALESTINA" ("THE VOICE OF PALESTINE") IN HIS POSSESSION. DURING INTERROGATION, HAIK ADMITTED HE HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF A PALESTINIAN TERRORIST GROUP.

DURING THE LATE EVENING OF OCTOBER 23, 1975, TERRORISTS ATTEMPTED TO ASSASSINATE COMISARIO GENERAL HORACIO ALBERTO ROJAS, THE FPA DEPUTY CHIEF, WHO WAS RETURNING TO HIS RESIDENCE FROM FPA HEADQUARTERS. AN HOUR-LONG FIRE FIGHT ENSUED DURING WHICH ROJAS' BODYGUARDS MANAGED TO HOLD OFF THE TERRORISTS UNTIL FPA REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. ROJAS ESCAPED WITHOUT INJURY.

MEMBERS OF THE ARGENTINE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION, PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY-AUGUST 22 FACTION, ASSASSINATED RETIRED

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ARGENTINE AIR FORCE COLONEL ARTURO LEOPOLDO LONGINOTTI NEAR HIS RESIDENCE IN SUBURBAN CASTELAR ON OCTOBER 26, 1975.

COLONEL LONGINOTTI'S SON WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BY HIS FATHER'S ASSASSINS WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO COME TO THE DEFENSE OF HIS FATHER.

DURING THE EARLY MORNING OF OCTOBER 26, 1975, MEMBERS OF THE MONTONEROS AMBUSHED TWO BAPP CRUISERS IN SAN ISIDRO, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, UTILIZING AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND HARM GRENADES. FOUR BAPP OFFICERS DIED IN THE FIRE FIGHT.

CITIZEN AND THE DIRECTOR OF PRODUCTION FOR THE MERCEDES BENZ
COMPANY, WAS KIDNAPPED BY THE MONTERNO GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION.
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