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SUBJ: ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AGAINST GODR OFFICIAL

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1. AT 7:05 PM MAY 7 UNKNOWN PERSONS THREW FRAGMENTATION GRENADE ON TERRACE OF HOME IN NORTHERN PART OF CITY OCCUPIED BY LUIS MANUEL CEPEDA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR GODR.

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2. CEPEDA REPORTEDLY SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BUT IMMEDIATELY SEIZED AND FIRED SUBMACHINE GUN IN ORDER ATTRACT ATTENTION AND ASSISTANCE. TWO COMPANIONS, RAMON N. RODRIGUEZ AND FELIZ ANTONIO RAMOS RODRIGUEZ, BOTH MORE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED. ALL THREE NOW HOSPITALIZED.

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3. CEPEDA IS CONTROVERSIAL PERSONALITY ONLY RECENTLY INVOLVED IN HIGHLY PUBLICIZED CLASHES WITH RADIO STATION

OWNERS AND OTHERS. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THIS ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT GROWS OUT OF THESE PERSONAL ANIMOSITIES BUT WE CONSIDER MORE PROBABLE THAT IT REPRESENTS LATEST ACT OF TERRORISM, PERHAPS IN RETALIATION FOR MAY 4 ATTACK ON SENATOR CASIMIRO CASTRO AND TWO COMPANIONS (SD-3396).

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NOTE: ADVANCE DELIVERY TO S/S-O AT 12:30 AM, 5/8/67.

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