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SUBJECT: STATUS OF ARISTIDES ALFONSO MARQUEZ CAMPOS, ALLEGED MEMBER OF 1983 DEATH SQUAD

1. ACTION REQUESTED: NONE, FYI.

STATE DEPT  
2. REQUESTED TRACES ON ARISTIDES ALFONSO

((MARQUEZ)) CAMPOS

TRACES ON MARQUEZ WERE FORWARDED TO [REDACTED] ON 14 NOVEMBER 1987, AND RECENTLY UPDATED TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL 1983 INFORMATION MISSING FROM MARQUEZ' FILE WHEN THE 1987 TRACES WERE DONE. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDED TO [REDACTED] IS REPEATED BELOW, FYI.

A. BEGIN QUOTE. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION DATED DECEMBER 1983 [REDACTED] ONE LT. COL. ARISTIDES MARQUEZ, WHO IS POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT, WAS HEAD OF THE RIGHTWING DEATH SQUAD IN THE NATIONAL POLICE, WHICH HAD ENGAGED IN NUMEROUS POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS, INCLUDING THE MARCH 1981 MURDER OF ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ROMERO.

B. [REDACTED], A RIGHTIST DEATH SQUAD HAD EXISTED WITHIN THE NATIONAL POLICE SINCE DECEMBER 1979, AND HAD ENGAGED IN NUMEROUS POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS. THE SQUAD MAINTAINED A CLANDESTINE PRISON IN THE CITY OF LA LIBERTAD, EL SALVADOR. THE PRISON WAS USED FOR DETENTION, INTERROGATION, AND EXECUTION OF SUSPECTED LEFTISTS AND LEFTIST SYMPATHIZERS. THE GROUP WAS HEADED BY LT. COL. ARISTIDES MARQUEZ, POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT, WHO WAS CHIEF OF THE INVESTIGATIONS DEPARTMENT OF THE NATIONAL POLICE.

C. [REDACTED] IN NOVEMBER

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1983 MARQUEZ WAS DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE SALVADORAN NATIONAL POLICE. HE WAS VERY CLOSE TO DR. HECTOR ANTONIO REGALADO, THEN NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE (ARENA) PARAMILITARY LEADER. SOURCE BELIEVED MARQUEZ SUPPLIED FALSE LICENSE PLATES, CARS AND MEN FOR REGALADO'S USE. SOURCE DESCRIBED MARQUEZ AS A VERY MEAN PERSON WHO SHOULD BE FEARED.

D. SOMETIME AFTER JOSE N. DUARTE FUENTES INAUGURATION AS PRESIDENT OF EL SALVADOR, MARQUEZ WAS ASSIGNED TO PANAMA CITY AS MILITARY ATTACHE. THIS ASSIGNMENT OUTSIDE OF SALVADOR WAS PROBABLY DUE TO MARQUEZ' ALLEDGED INVOLVEMENT I) DEATH SQUAD ACTIVITIES. COL. MARQUEZ WAS ACCREDITED AS SALVADORAN DEFENSE ATTACHE TO CHILE IN FEBRUARY 1988. HE WAS DOWNGRADED FROM A COLONEL TO A CAPTAIN ASSIGNED AS LIAISON OFFICER TO THE CHILEAN ARMY -- A MOVE ATTRIBUTED TO "NEEDS OF THE SERVICE". WHILE ASSIGNED TO CHILE HE REPORTEDLY WAS MARRIED TO ANA ELISA HIRELERMANN DE MARQUEZ, DOB 1 OCTOBER, YEAR UNKNOWN. NO FURTHER INFORMATION IS REFLECTED IN OUR FILES. E)D OF QUOTE.

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