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INCAP Officials Released in Guatemala City

On 11 August Nutrition Institute for Central America and Panama (INCAP) officials Carlos Tejada and Richard Newman, a U.S. citizen, were released from captivity after being held almost eight weeks by the Central American Workers Revolutionary Party (PRTC). The officials immediately departed the country. Specific details concerning their release are not available. [REDACTED]

The members of the PRTC group which held the INCAP officials lacked training and professionalism in terrorist tactics--a deficiency which became evident as events unfolded in the case. The PRTC allowed face-to-face contact with an intermediary at a pre-arranged site, it failed to protest two published testimonials on Tejada's behalf issued by colleagues and associates following its warning of 30 June, and it allowed two deadlines (17 July and 8 August) to lapse without serious repercussions to the kidnap victims. [REDACTED]

On 1 August the PRTC claimed responsibility for a 29 July hand grenade explosion at the Guardia de Honor Military Barracks in Guatemala. The incident killed one soldier and wounded seven others. This is the second action for which the PRTC in Guatemala has claimed credit. The Guatemalan Army, however, claims that the incident was actually a training accident. [REDACTED]

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