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ACCORDING TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT THE GUATEMALAN NATIONAL REVOLUTIONARY UNION'S (URNG) INTELLIGENCE APPARATUS HAS BEEN MANIPULATING THE CASE OF FORMER ORPA COMMANDER EFRAIN ((BAMACA)) VELASQUEZ, ALIAS "COMANDANTE EVERARDO," FOR ITS PROPAGANDA VALUE AND TO DRIVE A WEDGE BETWEEN THE GUATEMALAN AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS. A FEW MONTHS AFTER THE 12 MARCH 1992 CAPTURE OR DEATH OF BAMACA, URNG INTELLIGENCE, [REDACTED] SENT MESSAGES TO THE U.S. SPOUSE OF BAMACA VIA THE CENTRAL AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF THE FAMILIES OF THE DETAINED (ACFD), A URNG FRONT ORGANIZATION. THESE MESSAGES INDICATED THE URNG HAD INFORMATION THAT BAMACA HAD BEEN DETAINED BY THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY AND WAS BEING TORTURED. FOR MONTHS THEREAFTER, URNG INTELLIGENCE CONTINUED TO SEND INFORMATION TO BAMACA'S SPOUSE VIA ACFD INSISTING BAMACA WAS STILL ALIVE. [REDACTED] IN REALITY THE URNG NEITHER HAD THEN, NOR HAS [REDACTED], ANY FACTUAL INFORMATION REGARDING BAMACA AFTER 12 MARCH 1992. THEIR INFORMATION TO BAMACA'S SPOUSE WAS COMPLETELY FABRICATED. THE URNG BELIEVES BAMACA PROBABLY IS DEAD.

[REDACTED] URNG INTELLIGENCE HAS BEEN MANIPULATING BAMACA'S SPOUSE, WHOM THEY KNEW OF AS AN ACTIVIST AND

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ORPA SYMPATHIZER, ENCOURAGING HER IN HER DEMONSTRATIONS. KNOWING THAT AS A U.S. CITIZEN THE SPOUSE'S STORY WILL GET GREATER WORLD PRESS COVERAGE AND ATTENTION BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT THAN IF SHE WERE GUATEMALAN, THE URNG IS USING HER IN ITS PLAN TO EMBARRASS THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT AND ARMY. " [REDACTED] THE URNG IS USING BAHACA'S SPOUSE TO MAKE THE BAHACA CASE A CAUSE CELEBRE ON THE WORLD STAGE, HIGHLIGHTING THE PROBLEM OF HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN GUATEMALA AND WEAKENING THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT IN THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. FEARING THAT BAHACA'S SPOUSE MIGHT DIE DURING HER RECENT HUNGER STRIKE AND WISHING TO PRESERVE HER FOR CONTINUED USE, " [REDACTED] URNG MEMBERS DISSUADED HER FROM PERSISTING IN THE HUNGER STRIKE.

3. [REDACTED] THE URNG ACTUALLY HOPES BAHACA DIED SOON AFTER THE EVENTS OF 12 MARCH 1992. ALIVE, BAHACA WOULD BE VERY DANGEROUS TO THE URNG. HE IS AMONG THE HIGHEST RANKING URNG MEMBERS EVER TAKEN BY THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY AND HIS INTELLIGENCE VALUE WOULD HAVE BEEN HIGH. URNG INTELLIGENCE IS CONVINCED THAT, IN THE SLIM CHANCE THAT BAHACA IS ALIVE, HIS CONTINUED SURVIVAL WOULD HAVE DEPENDED SOLELY ON HIS HAVING GIVEN INFORMATION TO THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY; IF BAHACA IS ALIVE, IT IS BECAUSE HE IS A TRAITOR TO THE URNG. THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW CASES OF LOW-RANKING MEMBERS OF THE URNG WHO WERE CAPTURED BY THE MILITARY, DETAINED FOR LONG PERIODS, RELEASED, AND WHO THEN MADE THEIR WAY BACK TO THE URNG. [REDACTED] THE URNG SUBSEQUENTLY KILLED THESE MEMBERS AS TRAITORS.

4. [REDACTED] " URNG INTELLIGENCE BELIEVES THAT IF BAHACA WERE ALIVE, THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY WOULD HAVE KILLED HIM AFTER BAHACA'S SPOUSE BEGAN DEMONSTRATING AND THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT AND MILITARY HAD INFORMED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT THAT BAHACA HAD BEEN KILLED IN MARCH 1992. IT WOULD BADLY EMBARRASS THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY IF BAHACA WERE TO TURN UP ALIVE. " [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IF BAHACA WERE ALIVE, THE SPOUSE'S ACTIVITIES WOULD FORCE THE GUATEMALAN MILITARY TO KILL HIM AND REMOVE A THREAT TO THE URNG.

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