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COUNTRY	PERU	REPORT NO.	[REDACTED]
SUBJECT	SITREP AS OF 1100 HOURS LOCAL TIME (C)	DATE DISTR.	23 JULY 1962
DATE OF INFO.	[REDACTED]	PRECEDENCE	PRIORITY
PLACE & DATE ACQ.	[REDACTED]	REFERENCES	FILE [REDACTED]
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1. THE GENERAL STRIKE CALLED BY THE CONFEDERACION DE TRABAJADORES DEL PERU/ (CTP) STARTED ON 23 JULY 62 BUT IS ONLY A PARTIAL SUCCESS. THE WHITE COLLAR WORKERS, THE PEASANTS, AND ONE OF THE OIL WORKERS FEDERATIONS ARE STRIKING, AS ARE THE SUGAR WORKERS, SOME DEPARTMENTAL FEDERATIONS, AND LOCAL UNIONS IN THE NORTH. THE MILITARY JUNTA ANNOUNCED THAT NINETY TWO LABOR ORGANIZATIONS HAVE REJECTED THE STRIKE WHILE SAYING THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD RESPECT THE FREEDOM OF LABOR IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY. IT APPEARS THAT MANY CTP AFFILIATES, AND PRACTICALLY ALL OF THE UNIONS NOT AFFILIATED, HAVE REFUSED TO STRIKE. IN THE LIMA AREA THE BANK CLERKS, PRINTERS, SHOEMAKERS, BAKERS, TRUCK DRIVERS, MOST BUS DRIVERS AND TAXI DRIVERS, THE TELEPHONE WORKERS, SOME OF THE ELECTRIC POWER

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WORKERS AND CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, AND MANY OTHER MINOR UNIONS ARE NOT STRIKING AS WELL AS THE LIMA AND CALLAO PROVINCIAL FEDERATIONS WHICH ARE COMMUNIST CONTROLLED. IN AREQUIPA ABOUT TWENTY PER CENT ARE ESTIMATED ON STRIKE WHILE IN CUZCO NO STRIKE MOVEMENT IS REPORTED. THE SITUATION IN LIMA APPEARS NORMAL THE MORNING OF 23 JULY. (SOURCE PRESS.)

2. RADIO NACIONAL, THE GOVERNMENT RADIO STATION, BROADCAST VERBATIM MESSAGES OF UNION GROUPS OPPOSING THE STRIKE THROUGHOUT 22 JULY. MESSAGES FROM COMMUNIST LED UNIONS WERE PROMINENT. THE COMMUNISTS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THIS TO PRESS THEIR LINE ADVOCATING A REORGANIZATION OF THE CTP. EL COMERCIO ECHOED THIS LINE AND ATTACKED THE CTP LEADERSHIP ON ITS FRONT PAGE ON 23 JULY. (SOURCE RADIO NACIONAL AND PRESS.)

3. ONE THOUSAND WOMEN DRESSED IN BLACK STAGED A SILENT MARCH IN THE CENTER OF LIMA ON 22 JULY TO PROTEST THE MILITARY COUP. THEY WERE JOINED BY MEN WHO ATTACKED VEHICLES WITH STONES. THE POLICE APPEARED AND DISPERSED THE DEMONSTRATORS ENERGETICALLY WITH TEAR GAS, WATER HOSES, AND CLUBS. THE REST OF PERU WAS QUIET ON 22 JULY. (SOURCE PRESS.)

4. THE THIRTY FOUR ACCION POPULAR CONGRESSMEN WHO WERE EXPELLED FROM THEIR PARTY BECAUSE THEY IGNORED PARTY ORDERS AND WERE SWORN IN TO CONGRESS ARE FORMING A NEW PARTY. THEY ARE LED BY JUAN JOSE VEGA, FORMER NATIONAL YOUTH SECRETARY OF ACCION POPULAR AND CONSIDERED A LEFTIST AND ENRIQUE LEON VELARDE. THEY PLAN TO EXPLAIN THEIR ACTIONS ON A TELEVISION PROGRAM THE COMING WEEK. (SOURCE PRESS.)

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5. THE NEW CONGRESS PLANS TO MEET IN SECRET ON 28 JULY TO INSTALL JULIO DE LA PIEDRA AS PRESIDENT OF CONGRESS AND TO HEAR THE TEXT OF THE OFFICIAL ELECTIONS RESULTS PREPARED BY THE NATIONAL ELECTION BOARD. THE CONGRESS WILL EVENTUALLY ELECT GENERAL MANUEL ODRIA AS PRESIDENT. (SOURCE PRESS.)
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