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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS RE CHINO LAU

1. THERE IS NO CONFIRMED INFORMATION ON CHINO LAU'S ACTIVITIES IN HONDURAS. DURING THE NICARAGUAN INSURRECTION LAU WAS THE COMMANDER ON A NICARAGUAN NATIONAL GUARD DETACHMENT LOCATED IN THE STEEPLE OF A CHURCH. THE UNIT WAS FIRED ON BY INSURGENTS AND RETURNED FIRE KILLING SOME OF THE SANDINISTA INSURGENTS. LAU WAS VERY EFFECTIVE IN HONDURAS AS THE CHIEF OF THE FDN CI SECTION. BECAUSE OF THE FSLN ALLEGATIONS AGAINST LAU BASED ON THE ABOVE INCIDENT AND BECAUSE OF THE ATTEMPT TO BRING ABOUT UNITY WITH [REDACTED] AND HIS ORGANIZATION, LAU WAS REMOVED FROM HIS FDN POSITION. [REDACTED] THEN PLACED LAU IN THE HONDURAN ARMY CI SECTION BECAUSE OF HIS DEMONSTRATED ABILITY TO WORK EFFECTIVELY AGAINST THE SANDINISTA INTELLIGENCE SERVICES. IT IS BELIEVED THAT LAU DEPARTED HONDURAS A NUMBER OF MONTHS AGO. BELIEVE HE NOW RESIDES IN GUATEMALA.

2. [REDACTED] UNDERSTANDS FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH THE MEMBER OF THE OFFICIAL HUMAN RIGHTS INVESTIGATION COMMISSION, [REDACTED] THAT THE COMMISSION WAS ADVISED BY LTC ERIC SANCHEZ, [REDACTED] THAT LAU HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN THE DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO HONDURAN LEFTISTS IN 1981. SANCHEZ ALSO ALLEGED THAT LAU WAS A HITMAN SUPPORT HIS ALLEGATIONS. SANCHEZ PRESENTED NO EVIDENCE TO AUTHORITIES SHOWED THAT LAU WAS NOT IN HONDURAS AT THE TIME OF THE DISAPPEARANCES AND THEY COULD NOT VERIFY THAT LAU HAD CARRIED OUT ANYTHING BUT LEGITIMATE CI WORK [REDACTED] HAS BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN ANY CONCRETE EVIDENCE OF MISCONDUCT BY LAU. THERE ARE ONLY VAGUE RUMORS.

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