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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] - MILITARY ATTACHE OF EL SALVADOR
IN PARAGUAY

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1. [REDACTED] JOSE RICARDO ((POZO)) IS CURRENTLY SALVADORAN ATTACHE IN ASUNCION. HIS RANK IS LIEUTENANT COLONEL. FYI, THERE IS ANOTHER SALVADORAN MILITARY OFFICER IN ASUNCION, MAJOR VICTOR HUGO ((VEGA)) VALENCIA. VEGA WAS SELECTED IN JAN 86 FOR STAFF COLLEGE TRAINING IN ASUNCION. WE UNDERSTAND VEGA IS STILL IN PARAGUAY BUT DO NOT KNOW IF HIS STATUS HAS CHANGED AND WHETHER HE MIGHT NOW BE ATTACHED TO THE ATTACHE OFFICE. WE HAVE HEARD HIM REFERRED TO HERE, AT LEAST ONCE, AS "ATTACHE IN ASUNCION." VEGA VALENCIA WAS ARRESTED IN MAY 1980 IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF SALVADORAN ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ARNULFO ((ROMERO)). [REDACTED] VEGA VALENCIA IS DUE TO RETURN TO EL SALVADOR IMMINENTLY. UPON HIS RETURN HE WILL PROBABLY BE ARRESTED AGAIN, STILL IN CONNECTION WITH THE ROMERO CASE. HIS POSSIBLE ARREST IS IMPORTANT AS HE WILL BE THE FIRST ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY OFFICER TO BE ARRESTED IN THIS STAGE OF THE CASE AND HE WOULD BE EXPECTED TO IMPLICATE OTHER ACTIVE DUTY OFFICERS IN THE ASSASSINATION.

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