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SUBJECT: MILITARY-BACKED MILITIAS TAKE CONTROL OF DILI

1. (U) CLASSIFIED BY POLCOUNS EDMUND MCWILLIAMS, REASON: 1.5 (D).
2. (C) SUMMARY: MILITARY-BACKED, PRO-INTEGRATION MILITIAS HAVE TAKEN CONTROL OF THE EAST TIMOR CAPITAL, DILI. PRO-INDEPENDENCE OF THE EAST TIMOR CAPITAL, THREATENED AND MANY LEADING EAST TIMORESE HAVE BEEN PUBLICLY THREATENED AND MANY LEADING PRO-INDEPENDENCE ACTIVISTS HAVE GONE TO GROUND. SOME HAVE FLED WITH THE INTENTION OF SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM IN AUSTRALIA. THE INDONESIAN SECURITY FORCES ARE LENDING SUPPORT TO THIS MASSIVE DISPLAY OF MILITA STRENGTH WHICH BEGAN APRIL 16 AND IS

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EXPECTED TO CULMINATE APRIL 17. THOSE CITIZENS WHO DO NOT FLY THE INDONEISAN FLAG ON APRIL 17 HAVE BEEN WARNED THAT THEIR HOUSES WILL BE SEARCHED. DEATH THREATS HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTEDLY MADE TO ICRC PERSONNEL IN THE CITY. CIVIL SERVANTS WHO DO NOT SUPPORT INTEGRATION HAVE BEEN WARNED TO SURRENDER THEIR JOBS, HOMES AND VEHICLES TO THE "PRO-INTEGRATION ADMINISTRATION." A SENIOR PRO-INTEGRATION EAST TIMORESE HAS TOLD US THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL CEASE PAYING SALARIES OF CIVIL SERVANTS REGARDED AS PRO-INDEPENDENCE. END SUMMARY

3. (U) [REDACTED] NOW IN DILI, EAST TIMOR, TELPHONED POLCOUNS LATE APRIL 16 TO REPORT THAT THE MILITARY-BACKED PRO-INTEGRATION MILITIAS HAD "TAKEN CONTROL" OF THE CITY. HE HAS OBSERVED "FULL MILITARY AND POLICE SUPPORT FOR THE MILITIA ACTIVITY" TO INCLUDE JOINT DETATCHMENTS OF MILITIA AND SECURITY FORCE PERSONNEL (POLICE AND MILITARY) TRANSPORTED IN THE SAME TRUCKS.

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4. (U) A CONGREGATION OF WHAT WAS BILLED AS REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE MILITIAS HELD A JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE ON THE LAWN IN FRONT OF THE GOVERNOR'S PALACE, MORNING APRIL 16. CITIZENS OF DILI HAVE BEEN WARNED TO FLY THE NATIONAL (INDONESIAN) FLAG FROM THEIR HOUSES ON APRIL 17 OR ELSE FACE SEARCHES OF THEIR HOUSES FOR PRO-INDEPENDENCE LITERATURE. INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS NOT WEARING THE NATIONAL COLORS ON THEIR SHOULDER APRIL 17 WILL BE "TREATED ACCORDINGLY" ACCORDING TO FLYERS DISTRIBUTED IN THE CITY.

5. (C) THE CNRT (PRO-INDEPENDENCE) OFFICE IN DILI HAS CLOSED. CNRT PEOPLE ARE NOW STAYING IN SAFE HOUSES WITH MANY CHANGING HOUSES EACH NIGHT. ANOTHER FOREIGN JOURNALIST WHO RETURNED ON APRIL 15 FROM DILI TO JAKARTA, TOLD POLCOUNS THERE WERE "ABOUT A DOZEN" CNRT MEMBERS WHO FLEW OUT WITH HER AND ARE SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM FROM THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT. THEY CLAIM THAT THEIR NAMES ARE ON THE MILITIAS' DEATH LIST.

[REDACTED] ALSO TOLD POLCOUNS ABOUT A DEATH LIST WHICH HAD CAUSED MANY CNRT MEMBERS AND OTHER PRO-INDEPENDENCE ACTIVISTS TO GO INTO HIDING.

6. (C) THREATS ARE NOT ONLY TO LOCAL CITIZENS. THE JOURNALIST NOW IN DILI SAID THAT SEVERAL ICRC PERSONNEL

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HAVE RECEIVED "PERSONAL" DEATH THREATS IN RECENT DAYS. A UNDP-LED INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION MISSION SCHEDULED TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT VISIT TO DILI THIS WEEK HAS BEEN POSTPONED.

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7. (U) TWO OF THE MOST NOTORIOUS MILITA GROUPS HAVE ISSUED STATEMENTS IN RECENT DAYS ELABORATING THEIR THREATENING POSTURE TOWARD THE PRO-INDEPENDENCE SIDE. ONE SUCH STATEMENT IS SIGNED BY ENRICO GUTERES, ONE OF THREE MILITIA LEADERS WHO SIGNED A DEATH THREAT AGAINST AUSTRALIAN AID WORKERS, JOURNALISTS AND DIPLOMATS WHICH WAS HANDED TO THE AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER DURING A VISIT TO JAKARTA IN MARCH.

8. (U) GUTERES, REPRESENTING "COMMAND-SECTOR B OF THE AITARAK" WARNS "ALL CIVIL SERVANTS WHO DO NOT SUPPORT INTEGRATION IMMEDIATELY TO TENDER THEIR RESIGNATIONS." MOREOVER, "ALL CIVIL SERVANTS WHO DO NOT SUPPORT INTEGRATION BUT WHO CONTINUE TO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF PRO-INTEGRATION FACILITIES SUCH AS GOVERNMENT HOUSING, CARS AND MOTORBIKES, (MUST) IMMEDIATELY SURRENDER THEM TO THE PRO-INTEGRATION ADMINISTRATION..." THE STATEMENT ALSO CALLS FOR THE "EXTERMINATION OF ALL THOSE WHO REPRESENT A THREAT TO INTEGRATION (WITH INDONESIA)." [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TOLD POLCOUNS LATE APRIL 16 THAT, AT THE REQUEST OF THE MILITIAS, THE GOVERNMENT WILL CEASE PAYING THE SALARIES OF THOSE CIVIL SERVANTS REGARDED AS PRO-INDEPENDENCE ON MAY 1.

9. (U) THE "EAST TIMOR CLEANSING FRONT RIGHT WING MILITA - RED BLOOD" ISSUED A SHORTER STATEMENT SIGNED BY ITS

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"COMMAND CHIEF" LAFAIK SABURAI. THIS STATEMENT CALLS FOR ALL PRO-INTEGRATIONISTS TO RAISE THE INDONESIAN NATIONAL FLAG AND FLY IT FROM APRIL 15 TO MAY 15. "ALL THOSE THAT FAIL TO DISPLAY THE FLAG WE WILL CONSIDER TO BE OUR ENEMIES." THE STATEMENT CONTINUES, "IT IS REQUESTED THAT ABRI REMAIN IN AND SECURE THEIR RESPECTIVE POSTS."

10. (C) COMMENT: [REDACTED]  
DESCRIBED APRIL 17 AS, "PERHAPS A LITTLE KRISTALL NACHT" BY THESE "ASIAN NAZIS." ROY

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