

ACTIONS OF THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SAN MARTÍN, HUANUCO, AND UCAYALI, JANUARY-AUGUST 1998^{1 2}

DEPARTMENT OF SAN MARTÍN

Agitation and Armed Propaganda

January 22, 1998: The PLA adorned the main gate of the Mesones Muro college with flags and the main plaza of the neighborhood of Pishuaya. Slogan painting in various houses was carried out.

February 17, 1998: Combatants of the PLA intercepted transport vehicles, as well as mobilized and politicized the masses in the town of Ramal de Cachiyacu, San Martín.

February 24, 1998: Combatants of the PLA intercepted vehicles on the Marginal Highway, Cachiyacu-Tocache-San Martín hamlet. They painted graffiti on the vehicles.

February 27, 1998: The PLA gathered the masses in the “Los Cedros” hamlet in Tocache-San Martín.

February 27, 1998: The PLA intercepted and painted on the vehicle owned by the company Distribuidora Sibarita Micasu ERL, near the Marginal Highway, between Nuevo Progreso and Madre Mía, Tocache-San Martín, Cachiyacu-Tocache hamlet.

March 13, 1998: The PLA in the locality of Puerto Pizana, La Pólvora-San Martín district, intercepted a vehicle, receiving the support of the masses due to the people's war.

May 12, 1998: The PLA blocked the Northern Marginal Highway at Km 08, Ramal de Aspuzana and Pucayacu-Tocache-San Martín locality.

May 13, 1998: The PLA painted graffiti between Km 07 and 08 of the Marginal Highway in the direction of the Tocache-San Martín locality; slogans referring to: “Crush the ROL,” “M.L.M.,” “Elections NO, People's War YES,” “Freedom for Political Prisoners,” “Freedom for Prisoners of War,” “Defend the Life of Chairman Gonzalo.”

May 27, 1998: The PLA at the height of the highway (Marginal) between the localities of Uchiza and Monzón, San Martín, mobilized and politicized the masses of the area.

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July 13, 1998: The PLA intercepted vehicles and painted graffiti on the Marginal highway at the Iscote hamlet, La Pólvara-Tocache-San Martín, and a popular assembly was held.

July 25-29, 1998: The PLA mobilized and politicized the population of Sión, Mariscal Cáceres-San Martín against the self-defense committees. They later retreated to the hamlet of El Valle-Campanilla.

Guerrilla Combat

February 17, 1998: Combined army and police patrols clashed with a PLA company near the village of Ramal de Cachiyacu, resulting in the wounding of one soldier.

March 26, 1998: An army patrol sustained a confrontation with a company of the PLA in the village of La Unión, La Pólvara district, Tochache-San Martín province, causing four casualties to reaction.

March 28, 1998: The PLA in the village of Nuevo Porvenir YAHUARACHI-district of Pólvara-province of Tochache-San Martín produced a confrontation causing casualties for reaction.

June 26, 1998: The PLA enters into the smaller population center of Bambamarca, Tochache-San Martín, where slogan painting was carried out and pro-Party propaganda was pasted up.

June 28, 1998: The PLA entered the village of Sin Sin, the smaller population center of Bambamarca, Tochache-San Martín, carrying out slogan painting and pasting up posters.

July 8, 1998: A police patrol boat was harassed when it was deployed on the Huallabamba river between the sectors called Guayaquil and Monte Bravo-Huicungo-Mariscal Cáceres-San Martín, causing it material damage.

July 8, 1998: The PLA ambushes an army patrol on the outskirts of the locality Bambamarca-San Martín, causing three casualties.

July 31, 1998: A PLA company took the control post of Churo National Park of the Abiseo-Mariscal river Cáceres-San Martín.

August 8, 1998: The PLA led by the Party takes the Plaza de Armas de Saposoa, El Dorado-San Martín province. They harassed an installation of the National Police at Saposoa, carrying out slogan painting and leafleting. They wounded a police officer and two civilians, and three civilians died.

August 13, 1998: A confrontation between an Army and Police patrol against a PLA company occurred at the San Francisco stream, in the Regis-San Martín district.

August 13, 1998: The PLA and an Army patrol had a confrontation on the San Francisco stream, in the Regis-San Martín district. An Army officer was killed and one soldier wounded.

Selective Annihilation

March 24, 1998: PLA combatants gathered the population of the village of Neuva Arequipa, in the Nuevo Progreso-Tocache district, where a collaborator was annihilated.

March 27, 1998: The PLA in the village of “Fray Martín” at Nuevo Progreso, Tocache-San Martín province, annihilated two collaborators.

May 6, 1998: The PLA enters into the village of La Merced Ishanga, Tocache-San Martín, where they gathered the masses in the Central Plaza and a thief was annihilated.

May 9, 1998: The PLA enters into the village of La Merced Ishanga, Tocache-San Martín, with the aim of annihilating a collaborator.

June 2, 1998: The PLA annihilates a collaborator in the village of Bellavista-San Martín.

June 28, 1998: The PLA in Puerto Alto Magote, Tocache-Nuevo Progreso-San Martín, annihilates two informants who had infiltrated the PCP.

July 3, 1998: The PLA, on board of a truck, harassed an Army control post in Tocache-San Martín.

August 8, 1998: The PLA takes the district of Pasarraya-El Dorado-San Martín (an hour and a half from the city of Saposá) in which they annihilate a provincial mayor of Huallaga. At the same time, slogan painting was done.

DEPARTMENT OF HUANUCO

Agitation and Propaganda

March 24, 1998: The PLA carried out armed agitation and propaganda actions in the sports field of the locality of Santa Lucía, in the district of José C y Castillo-Huánuco.

May 4, 1998: The PLA blocks the Marginal highway nearby the locality of Puente Pacae Aucayacu-José Crespo y Castillo-Huánuco, detaining public transportation vehicles and doing politicizing. Afterwards they withdrew in the direction of the village of Alto Pacae.

May 20, 1998: The PLA carries out road blocks in the Marginal highway . Nearby the locality Puente Durand Chinchao o Chinchavito, Acomayo-Huánuco. A police van was harassed which occasionally passed through the area.

June 25, 1998: The PLA takes the town of Pampas, Padre Abad, Aguaytía-Huánuco. The masses are politicized.

Guerrilla Combat

February 14, 1998: A police patrol was blown up by booby-traps, annihilating a policeman and wounding several of them in the locality of Fundo Rico, José Crespo y Castillo-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco.

March 4, 1998: The town of Honorio Delgado, Pachitea province, Puerto Inca-Huánuco was taken.

March 21, 1998: The PLA sustained a confrontation with the Army in the village of Río Frío, Angashyacu, Aucayacu, in the province of Leoncio Prado, Huánuco.

April 19, 1998: The central town of Palo Huimba-Monzón-Huamalíes, Huánuco was taken. The population was gathered together with goal of carrying out a popular assembly.

April 24, 1998: Taking of the village of Sachabaca, Monzón-Huamalíes-Huánuco, and roadblocks of the highway which leads from that place. Slogan painting was done on the vehicles with guiding slogans of the PCP. Two Army soldiers are captured, who are later freed.

April 26, 1998: An army patrol was ambushed which was being deployed in a vehicle in the vicinity of the village of Palo Huimba-Monzón-Huamalíes-Huánuco. Two soldiers and three civilians are wounded.

May 22, 1998: The town of Puente Durand, Chinchao-Acomayo-Huánuco was taken, slogan painting was carried out.

May 23, 1998: The village Maliqui Puente Durand-Chinchao-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco was taken, and a popular assembly was carried out with the local inhabitants. In the same way, the Marginal highway was blocked, and foodstuffs are confiscated from a truck. Afterwards they retreated in the direction of the heights of the province of Acomayo.

June 2, 1998: In Puente Voladizo, Chinchao-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco the PLA ambushes two Police vehicles in circumstances while they were heading towards the city of Huánuco, resulting in material damages to the vehicles and four casualties.

June 3, 1998: The PLA in the sector of Bella Alta, Mariano Dámaso Beraún-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco, carries out harassment actions against a Police patrol.

July 12, 1998: A military patrol in Tocache was ambushed in a sector of the locality of Paraíso Cholón, Marañón-Huánuco. A soldier was killed.

August 15, 1998: A military patrol that was deployed in the vicinity of the village of Rondos, Monzón-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco, confronted a platoon of the PLA.

Selective Annihilation

February 5, 1998: The village of Santa Lucía-Tulumayo was taken and an informant was annihilated.

February 28, 1998: The village Angashyacu, on the Marginal highway, in the province of Leoncio Prado-TM was taken. The masses are mobilized and politicized for the “SEIZURE OF POWER,” “LIBERATION OF CHAIRMAN GONZALO,” and the “CRITICISM OF FAMILY PLANNING”. At the same time slogan painting on the walls of houses was done with the slogans “DEFEND THE LIFE OF CHAIRMAN

GONZALO,” “PEOPLE’S WAR UNTIL COMMUNISM,” “FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS,” among others. Afterwards, a People’s Court tried two informants who were later killed.

March 6, 1998: The PLA blocks and intercepts vehicles on the Marginal highway nearby the village of Mohena, Angashyacu province in Leoncio Prado-TM. Later slogans were painted on the vehicles, among them “LONG LIVE CHAIRMAN GONZALO,” “FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS” and stickers with the slogans: “FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS” and “FREEDOM FOR PRISONERS OF WAR.” Afterwards they proceeded to burn a vehicle belonging to the business Electrocentrosa. In that same armed action an SIE informant was annihilated.

March 7, 1998: The town of Pueblo de Cahua Huánuco was taken and the justice of the peace was annihilated.

April 1, 1998: The highway nearby Puente Pacae, José Crespo y Castillo-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco district was blockaded. A popular assembly was realized in order to subsequently annihilate the Chairman of the Development Committee of that locality.

April 22, 1998: The village Huagracancha Ratacocha, Santa María del Valle-Huanuco was taken, where a lumpen element and an informant for the forces of order are annihilated.

May 1998: The village El Porvenir de Morona, Daniel Alomía Robles (also known as Padre Felipe Luyando) Leoncio Prado-Huánuco where an informant was annihilated.

May 28, 1998: The PLA enters into the village of Puente Durand, Chinchao-Leoncio Prado-Huánuco and annihilates a collaborator.

May 28, 1998: The village of Puente Pacae, Marginal highway, between Tingo María and Aucayacu was taken and an informant annihilated.

July 7, 1998: The PLA intercepted various transport vehicles in the vicinity of Puente Durand, Chinchao-Huánuco, carrying out slogan painting on them.

July 14, 1998: The village of Santa Ana o Río Santa Monzón, Huamalés-Huánuco was taken, where the lieutenant governor was annihilated.

July 26, 1998: The PLA annihilated an informant in the Huancaturpa sector, the smaller population center of Piquiray, Umari-Pachitea-Huanuco.

Sabotage

July 25, 1998: PLA combatants carried out actions in the Pacae, Angashyacu and Rio Frío sectors in the district of José Crespo and Castillo, Leoncio Prado-Huánuco. The high-voltage towers No. 106, 107 and 108 were demolished by cutting the electrical current in Aucayadu. At the same time, slogan paintings were carried out on the façade of the Education Center No. 152682, Angashyacu, with words referring to “DON’T VOTE,” “DEFEND THE LIFE OF CHAIRMAN GONZALO,” “FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS,” “WE DEMAND THAT CHAIR-

MAN GONZALO BE ALLOWED TO APPEAR ON TELEVISION AND THAT HIS RELATIVES BE ALLOWED TO VISIT HIM,” “FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS AND PRISONERS OF WAR.”

DEPARTMENT OF UCAYALI

Armed Agitation and Propaganda

January 16, 1998: The Boquerón Aguaytía-Padre Abad-Ucayali locality was taken, mobilizing and politicizing the masses.

March 15, 1998: The Federico Basadre highway was blockaded on Km 177 in a 180-meter long stretch. Slogan painting was carried out.

May 13, 1998: The PLA moves along the Santa Ana river, Padre Abad-Ucayali, politicizing the masses.

June 10, 1998: Around Km 136 of the Federico Basadre Highway was blockaded, an area known as Leche Vinagre, mobilizing and politicizing the masses.

June 18, 1998: The Santo Tomás (or San Pedro) Aguaytía-Padre Abad-Ucayali sector was taken, and a popular assembly was carried out.

July 7, 1998: Slogan painting was done in Guacamayo village, around Km 155.

July 8, 1998: Blockades and slogan paintings in both directions of the Federico Basadre highway, around Km 196, in the vicinities of Puente Previsto, Padre Abad-Ucayali.

July 23, 1998: In the village of Tangaraná Aguaytía Padre Abad-Ucayali the masses were mobilized and politicized.

Guerrilla Combat

May 1, 1998: The lumber camp on the edge of the Paujil river in Ucayali was taken.

May 26, 1998: Two police vehicles were ambushed around the Guacamay bridge, Km 153 of the Federico Basadre highway in Padre Abad-Ucayali. The vehicles were damaged and three policemen were wounded as a result.

June 6, 1998: An ambush of a police patrol resulted in a confrontation around Km 138 of the Federico Basadre highway, in the smaller population center of San Pedro de Chío, District Irazola, Padre Abad-Ucayali. Consequently, a Police officer was wounded and the vehicles were partially burned.

June 10, 1998: The town of San Pedro, Km 47 Federico Basadre highway, Campo Verde-province Coronel Portillo-Ucayali district was taken. A People's School was carried out with the presence of all the inhabitants of the town.

July 10, 1998: The Police and Marine installations (located in front of the police station) were harassed for 12 minutes in the locality Alexander Von Humboldt, Km 86, Federico Basadre highway-Padre Abad, Aguaytía.