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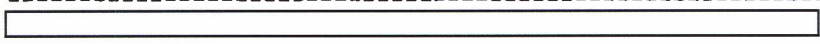
DIST: 14 OCTOBER 1997

COUNTRY: COLOMBIA

SUBJ: PEASANTS' AND GUERRILLAS' VIEWS TOWARD THE ENTRANCE OF  
PARAMILITARIES INTO CAQUETA DEPARTMENT; [redacted]

DOI: LATE AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER 1997

SOURCE: SEE PARAGRAPHS ONE AND SIX BELOW.



SUMMARY: IN LATE SEPTEMBER 1997, COCA FARMERS IN CAQUETA  
DEPARTMENT SAID LOCAL PEASANTS FEAR THE ARRIVAL OF PARAMILITARIES,  
WHOSE PRESENCE COULD LEAD TO WIDESPREAD VIOLENCE. THE GUERRILLAS  
INTEND TO ELIMINATE PARAMILITARY FORCES THAT ENTER CAQUETA. THE  
FARC NOW WANTS MAYORAL CANDIDATES TO REMAIN IN LOCAL RACES BECAUSE

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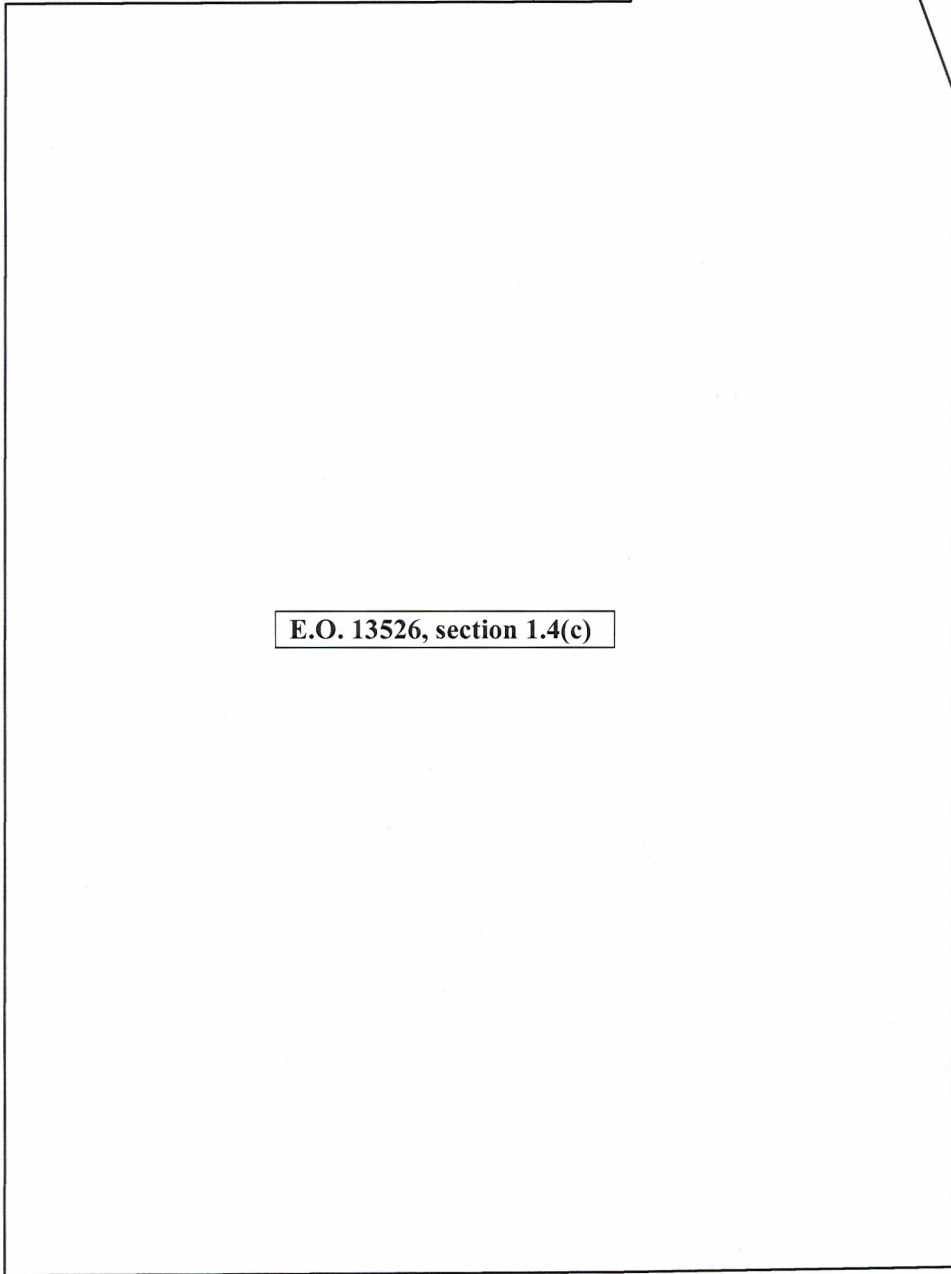
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IT DOES NOT WANT THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TO START APPOINTING MAYORS  
WHOM THE GUERRILLAS COULD NOT CONTROL. THE MILITARY OFFENSIVE IN  
THE YARI PLAINS HAS RESULTED IN NO SIGNIFICANT GUERRILLA LOSSES AS  
OF LATE SEPTEMBER. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF PARAMILITARY ACTIVITY  
FARTHER SOUTH, IN PUTUMAYO DEPARTMENT, AS OF LATE SEPTEMBER, BUT  
THERE ARE RUMORS OF A PARAMILITARY PRESENCE.



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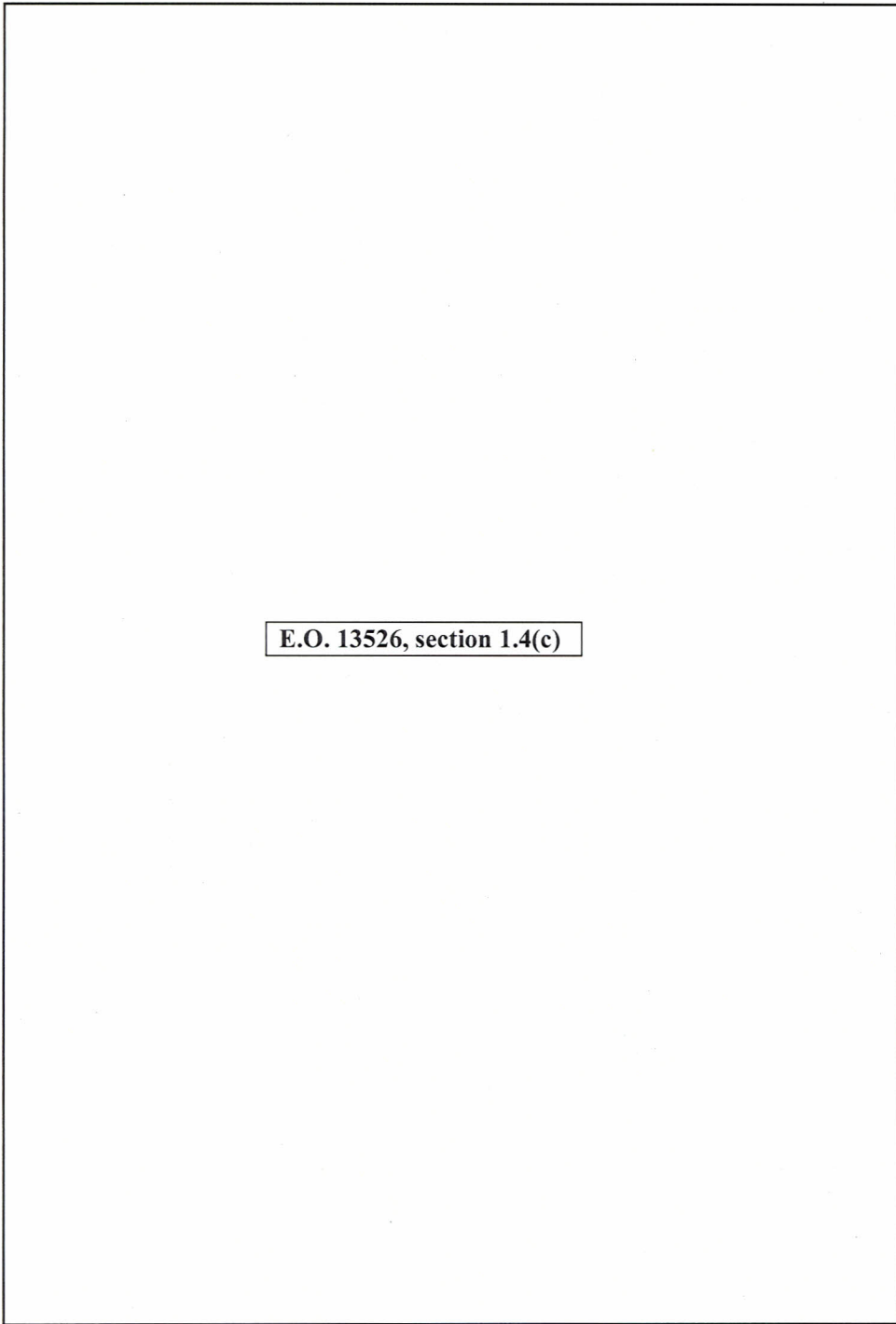
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