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2. (U) CONTEXT STATEMENT -- A LONG-STANDING ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY, INCREASINGLY KNOWN FOR A STRIDENT ANTI-US BIAS. WRITES OFTEN SENSATIONALIST PIECES CRITICAL OF US FOREIGN POLICY AND THE US PRESENCE IN PAKISTAN. ARTICLE WAS TAKEN FROM THE INTERNET VERSION OF THE PAPER.

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SUMMARY: (U) SEE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, TEXT PARAGRAPH 1, BELOW. ENCLOSURES

TEXT: 1. (U) (b)(3):10 USC 424 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. A PAKISTANI RESEARCH SCHOLAR BASED IN OSLO, NORWAY RECENTLY PENNED TWO PROVOCATIVE OP-ED PIECES THAT CHALLENGE THE CONVENTIONAL WISDOM IN PAKISTAN ABOUT DRONE STRIKES AND THE UNREST IN FATA. THE FIRST PIECE TAKES APART THE NARRATIVE PROPAGATED BY THE PRESS AND OTHER ANTI-US ENTITIES THAT US COUNTERTERRORISM OPERATIONS VIOLATE PAKISTANI SOVEREIGNTY AND KILL COUNTLESS CIVILIANS. IN THE SECOND PIECE, THE AUTHOR OFFERS AN ALTERNATIVE VIEW OF THE TRIBAL PEOPLE, WHOM SHE VIEWS AS HISTORICALLY OPPRESSED BY A DOMINATING PUNJABI SECURITY ELITE. THE STATE, SHE CLAIMS, HAS USED THE TRIBAL AREAS (AND IMPORTED

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JIHADIS INTO IT) AGAINST THE WILL OF THE TRIBES, AS A STRATEGIC BASE TO LAUNCH ATTACKS AGAINST AFGHANISTAN, AND OTHERS. RO NOTES THE AUTHOR'S VIEWS ARE HER OWN, AND ARE DIFFICULT TO PROVE GIVEN THE LACK OF ACCESS INTO THE TRIBAL AREAS. BUT HER VIEWS MAKE FOR COMPELLING READING. RO ADDS A THIRD PIECE, AS A SAMPLE OF THE "DRONES ARE EVIL" MANTRA THAT APPEARS HERE REGULARLY. ENCLOSURES.

2. (U) (b)(3):10 USC 424 IN THE FIRST PIECE, FARHAT ((TAJ)), AN ETHNIC PASHTUN, CLAIMS THE STRIKES ENJOY HUGE SUPPORT AMONG TRIBAL PEOPLES TERRORIZED BY AN OCCUPATION OF BRUTAL FOREIGNERS. THE AUTHOR WRITES THAT THE PRECISION IS A CAUSE FOR JOY AMONG THE TRIBALS AS THE ATTACKS MINIMIZE COLLATERAL DAMAGE WHILE KILLING THEIR OPPRESSORS. IN THE SECOND PIECE, "THE NATION" RANTS ABOUT THE OUTRAGE OF PAKISTAN'S SOVEREIGNTY BEING VIOLATED BY THE US. IN THE THIRD ENCLOSED PIECE, TAJ AGAIN TAKES ON THE PAKISTAN STATE, WHICH, SHE CLAIMS, HAS CONSCIOUSLY SUBJUGATED TRIBAL SOCIETY AS PART OF A POLICY TO USE THE TERRITORIES AS A BASE FOR HOUSING AN JIHADIS WITH AN EXPANSIONIST AGENDA. SHE REFERS THESE ACTORS IN FATA AS "INTERNATIONAL ARMED JIHADI GROUPS" AND STATES THAT MANY ARE PUNJABI BY ETHNICITY.