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SUBJECT: Colombian Request for US Advisors (U)

(S) Colombian President Uribe received DepSec at Blair House on 23 September. At the end of the meeting, Colombian Amb. Luis Moreno floated an idea: (b)(1), 1.4(b), 1.4(d)

(b)(1)

- DepSec discouraged the idea, saying that Colombia was different from the (b)(1), 1.4(d) and this was a politically sensitive area.
- The US Ambassador in Colombia had previously raised some ideas like this in the spring, in internal communications.

(S) Since the Blair House meeting, Gen Hill (Commander SOUTHCOM) and ISA have reinforced the message in Colombia that this kind of US role is not in the cards in present circumstances.

(S) Amb. Moreno has now admitted to Gen Hill that he floated the idea in September only to test what the reaction would be. Now he knows.

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