

Excerpt: The Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA) Threat¹⁷

Intent: The MRTA is a Marxist-Leninist organization determined to seize power to rid Peru of [an] "imperialist" presence, specifically US influence . . . growing dominance of hardliners within its leadership . . . declared "war" on the United States in mid-January 1991 and labeled all US installations, personnel, and economic enterprises in Peru as legitimate targets.

Capabilities: Has about 1,000 hard-core members with another several thousand supporters and sympathizers . . . Cuban-style command structure . . . security measures well planned and strict.