

"(In Guatemala) . . . a lethal counter-insurgency . . . has claimed the lives of tens of thousands of Maya Indians. The majority of victims . . . have been unarmed, non-partisan villagers, some of whom have met their deaths in the most bestial and barbarous ways imaginable."

(George Lovell, "From Conquest to Counterinsurgency," Cultural Survival Quarterly, Vol. 9, No. 2, 1985, p. 48. To subscribe, send \$20 to Cultural Survival Quarterly, 11 Divinity Ave., Cambridge, MA 02138.)



PERU

Micaela Bastidas Women's Organization (Comunidad Femenina Micaela Bastidas, Tarata 211, Lima 100, Peru) sends the following information:

"We are an organization of Indian women who seek alternative solutions to the problems that face Peruvian society, knowing that it is women and men who are responsible for socio-economic, political and religious transformation.

"Indian philosophy explains the universe as an ongoing transformation of two opposite but necessary and complementary elements represented by men and women. Micaela Bastidas, wife of Tupac Amaru, was the outstanding Indian heroine in this part of the continent. She was her husband's principal political advisor in their struggle for the liberty of our people. We see the role of Micaela as a symbol and model in our work. Our efforts are focused currently on four projects: legal and workers rights for women, workshop in art and culture, publications, and a nutrition and food resource project."



BOLIVIA

Boletin Chitakolla (subscription \$10; Casilla 20214, Correo Central, La Paz, Bolivia) reports that the Summer Institute of Linguistics officially concluded 30 years of missionary work in Bolivia on September 4, 1985. Increased Indian disputes with SIL had led to their leaving many areas, often in spite of support by state governments.