

Many killed in Peru, writer says

By Chester Allen
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Both the government and the Maoist "Shining Path" rebels committed numerous human rights violations during the ongoing civil war in Peru, a Peruvian journalist said Tuesday.

Alejandro Coronado, a Reuters correspondent who has covered the war since 1982, said Peruvians are caught between the ruthless "Shining Path" rebels and government forces fighting for control of the country.

Both sides have killed and tortured thousands of people during the war, and many journalists covering the conflict have been killed, Coronado said.

The Peruvian government imprisoned him in 1988 because he published articles criticizing human rights violations committed by the army, and rebels bombed his home for writing about their actions, Coronado said.

"Who's not afraid of dying?" Coronado said when an audience member asked him why he kept on reporting the war. "But it's my job and desire to inform people the best I can about the large number of people dying in Peru."

Coronado said 3,000 people have disappeared into government prisons since the war started, and 25,000 people have been killed in the fighting.

Although government forces captured rebel leader Asimael Guzman last September, rebel forces are still very active in the capital city of Lima and in rural jungle areas, Coronado said.

Desperate economic conditions in the countryside caused the war, but the government has done little to improve the plight of the peasants besides giving them weapons to fight the rebels, Coronado said.

Coronado reports from Huan-ta-Ayacucho, a remote area in the mountains of Peru where many



Alejandro Coronado

journalists have been killed by both sides.

Coronado is a Visiting Journalist Fellow at the spring. He said he hopes to learn about American media, democracy and drug intervention efforts in Peru during his visit to the United States.

Board releases recount results

The ASUO Elections Board Tuesday released the official results of last week's presidential race.

Monday night's recount results were unofficial because board members were unable to verify that the write-in candidates for the post were students. Computer problems prevented them from checking candidates' University status. Only University students may run for ASUO positions, according to elections rules.

On Tuesday, Tom North of the Office of the Registrar verified there were 39 legitimate write-in candidates. Candidates must receive more than 50 percent of the total number of votes to win.

Bowen and Collins Puente received 935 votes. Warren and Johnson received 885 votes. Bowen and Collins Puente won by five-and-a-half votes more than the 50 percent required, said Tracy Dennis, elections board manager.

The elections board recounted votes for the 1993-94 ASUO Elections and vice president Monday night after Leslie Warren and Mark Johnson filed a complaint with the Constitution Court alleging election rules violations.

No write-in candidates received the 15-vote minimum required to go on the general ballot, Dennis said.

In Warren and Johnson's complaint to the Constitution Court, they said the elections board did not inform a representative from their campaign of the time or place of the first recount April 22. Both the Warren/Johnson and Bowen/Collins Puente tickets had representatives at the second recount Monday.

Paul Loving of the Constitution Court said he didn't know when a hearing would be called to hear Warren and Johnson's complaint.

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Japanese Student Organization will meet today at 4:30 p.m. in the EMU Cedar Room F. For more information, call 687-1682.

Asian-Pacific-American Student Union executives will meet at 4 p.m., and members will meet at 5 p.m. today in EMU Room 29. For more information, call 346-9315.

Incidental Fee Committee will have budget hearings today at 3:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room B. For more information, call 346-3749.

Jewish Student Union will meet today at 4:30 in EMU Suite 5. For more information, call 346-4366.

Alpha Phi Omega Membership Committee will meet tonight at 7:30 in EMU Century Room B. For more information, call 346-9794.

Feminist Theory Discussion Group will meet today at 3:30 in EMU Century Room C. For more information, call 346-4099.

RELIGION

Catholic Newman Center will have a student mass and social tonight at 9, 18th Avenue and Emerald Street. For more information, call 343-7021.

Wesley Night Fellowship will feature Ken Mulder tonight from 7 to 8:30 at the Wesley Foundation, 1236 Kincaid St. For more information, call 346-4694.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alpha Kappa Psi will have formal pledging tonight at 6:30 in Room 330 Gilbert. For more information, call 346-9923.

Muslim Student Association and International Student Association will sponsor an Afghanistan art exhibition from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the EMU Oak Room. For more information, call 346-3798.

Muslim Student Association and International Student Association will present

the films *Iran: Past, Present and Future* and *The Message: Introduction of Islam to the Arabian Peninsula* today at 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., respectively, in the EMU Ben Linder Room. For more information, call 346-3798.

Cultural Forum will present a blues guitar workshop tonight from 7 to 10 in the EMU Ben Linder Room. For more information, call 346-4373.

Cultural Forum will present a concert with the Indian trio Bindas today from noon to 1 p.m. in the EMU Fishbowl. For more information, call 346-4373.

Southeast Asian Studies and Environmental Studies program will have a brown bag lunch today with Dr. Lazviminda Baria Valencia from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room A. For more information, call 346-1521.

Outdoor Program will show the video "Go With the Wind Surfer" today at 12:30 p.m. in the EMU Outdoor Program Room. For more information, call 346-4365.

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