

U.S. and Peru

State Department spokesman Robert J. McCloskey said "the disruption of constitutional government in Peru" was a matter of "concern" both to the United States and to the governments of Latin America. McCloskey said U.S. aid to Peru had been suspended because of the coup last week in which the military ousted the government of President Fernando Belaunde Terry.

In Lima, meanwhile, there were reports that Fernando Berckemeyer, a former ambassador to the United States, would be put in charge of renegotiating

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Peru's foreign debt. There were also reports that Berckemeyer would return to Washington as ambassador should the United States recognize the military regime.