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"Following from Brasília:

On basis growing but still incomplete (and in many cases inconclusive) returns Embassy office believes preliminary analysis results now worthwhile.

Most startling results provided in key Guanabara race where Goulart's brother-in-law Leonel Brizola swept into federal deputy seat by largest vote (latest unofficial count: 239,000) ever cast for federal deputy. Brizola's landslide victory most prominent part Guanabara electoral picture (including election leftist candidates vice governorship and first senate seat) which generally viewed as stinging defeat (one contrary indicator is general success pro-Lacerda forces in state Assembly contest) for publicly pro-U.S. and pro-AFP governor Carlos Lacerda. Principal elements this defeat (which Embassy views with concern due Brizola's blatantly anti-U.S. stance during recent months) believed be: 1) viciously anti-Lacerda and almost openly revolutionary electoral pose assumed by Brizola which succeeded in rallying congeries of nationalists, leftists, Communists, malcontents whose only firm point agreement is hatred Lacerda; 2) large amounts of money apparently spent by Brizola and

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Company on massive propaganda campaign 3) successful effort on part Goulart forces bring full force economic power of federal government (which still largely concentrated in Rio area) to bear in favor pro-Goulart candidates.

Balance of election results presently available, however, indicates that leftist victory in Guanabara is something of aberration ~~aberration~~ nationally.

São Paulo final results show Ademar (1.25 million) victor over Quadros (1.11 million) and Bonifacio (.72 million). Last minute support statement from Kubitschek probably helped Ademar over top though Quadros vote creditable performance view virtual boycott by mass media, PTB support for Bonifacio and Communist advocacy blank votes (low number blanks--32,000--is poor showing for Communists). Quadros sent reasonably sane congratulatory telegram to Ademar urging "good government" although denounced Carvalho Pinto bitterly. Bonifacio's relatively poor showing despite all-out assistance from state government is severe blow national political prestige Carvalho Pinto.

Results most other gubernatorial races now fairly clear. Rio Grande do Sul victory (now definitive) of conservative (PSD) Ildo Meneghetti over PTB candidate Michaelson and anti-Goulart maverick Ferrari generally believed (particularly in view senate

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victories conservative candidates noted below) be clear repudiation of Brizola extremism by own state. On other hand, equally clear victory leftist PTB candidate Badger Silveira in Rio State seems be only most obvious sign general PTB success latter state. Results in newly created Acre state are also now final, with the PTB-UDN candidate, Jose Araujo upsetting the PSD's perennial José Guimard. Other seemingly certain gubernatorial races include Ceará (where conservative Virgilio Tavora piling up massive lead over leftist ultra-nationalist Adail Barreto), Piaui (where centrist UDN candidate Petronio Portela appears be pulling away from Constancio Pereira, the hand-picked candidate of ultra-nationalist outgoing governor Chagas Rodrigues), and Espirito Santo (where UDN candidates Francisco Lacerda de Aguiar now seems likely to defeat PSD's Jones dos Santos Neves in a race run between two pro-U.S. conservatives). The crucial Pernambuco confrontation between conservative João Cleofas and Communist Miguel Arraes is still undecided, with Cleofas barely in front but both sides claiming final victory. Bahia presents a similarly tight race between UDN-PTB backed Lomanto Junior and leftist ultra nationalist Waldir Pires, with Pires now narrowly leading. Though Sergipe and Amazonas both seem present similarly tight races, ultra-

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nationalist Sexas Doria seems likely to win in former while ultra-nationalist PTB ex-governor Plinio Coelho now gradually widening previously meniscule lead over PSD's Paulo Neri in latter.

Relative party strengths at gubernatorial level seem little effected by above results with exception of PTB which will apparently drop from control five states to control only two.

Although Senate with two-thirds of (i.e., 45) seats up for re-election may have almost half new faces PSD-PTB party blocs appear remain largely unchanged, with UDN gaining slightly. In new state of Acre two UDN, one PSD leading. Ideologically newcomers show slight move from right toward center. One apparent Communist ^{Bezerra} (~~Bezerra~~ Neto-PTB) leading for second seat Mato Grosso but contest still close. Principal newcomers on left are Aaron Steinbruch (MTB-Rio), João Agripino (UDN-Paraiba), Ermirio Moraes (PTB-Pernambuco), Antonio Balbino (PSD-Bahia), Aurelio Vianna (PSP-Guanabara). Violently anti-U.S. Jose Joffily (PSB-Paraiba) running last in field of five. Leftist Barbosas Lima Sobrinho (PSB-Pernambuco) also beaten badly. Two strongest opponents present confiscatory profits remittance law Daniel Krieger (UDN-RGS) and Mem de Sa (PL-RGS) appear definitely elected.

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Results contests for 409 seats Federal Chamber Deputies still too inconclusive to support valid conclusions but nothing in presently available fragmentary returns seem indicate liklihood departure from general pattern Embassy's pre-electoral predictions.

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