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1. SURPRISE RESIGNATION AS SECRETARY GENERAL OF GERAN ANNOUNCED TODAY BY MARIO LACERDA BECAUSE OF "PROFOUND DIFFERENCES" WITH EVALDO INOJOBA OVER EXECUTION OF SUGAR ZONE MODERNIZATION AND REFORM. EXAMPLE FOLLOWED BY BARRETO GUIMARAES, NEW HEAD OF GERAN HUMAN RESOURCES TRAINING UNIT AND FORMER SECRETARY OF EDUCATION FOR PERNAMBUCO.

INOJOBA IS CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL OF GERAN (EXECUTIVE GROUP FOR RATIONALIZATION OF NE SUGAR AGRO-INDUSTRY) BY VIRTUE OF BEING HEAD OF SUGAR AND ALCHOL INSTITUTE. HE IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE RECIFE TODAY. MEANWHILE NO ONE CONCERNED INCLUDING SUDENE HEAD EULER BENTES TO WHOM RESIGNATION ADDRESSED HAS COMMENTED PUBLICLY, ALTHO LETTER FROM LACERDA REFERRED TO HIS REASONS AS "KNOWN" TO BENTES. HILLIKER BT

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