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SITREP as of 1800 April 9.

1. Presidential succession: Election will be held by Chamber of Deputies at 4:00 PM saturday. At moment there are three candidates, Castello Branco, Kruel and Dutra who yesterday re-entered race. Of these, Castello Branco appears to be considerably the strongest.

2. Ato Institucional: Warmin Costa e Silva has just announced signing of Ato Institucional by "military authorities". Details soonest.

3. Operation Cleanup: No new developments of consequence.

4. Asiyees and Refugees: (Deptel 1354) No new information.

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