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SUBJECT: JUNE 22 RIO AND SAO PAULO MEDIA REACTION  
ROCKEFELLER VISIT

1. PASS USUN FOR ROCKEFELLER NYC OFFICE FOR MORROW UPON  
ARRIVAL; DEPT ARA/LA FOR CHAPIN.

2. SUMMARY: ROCKEFELLER MISSION REMAINS A PRINCIPAL NEWS STORY, (RECEIVING MENTION ON RADIO AND TV BROADCASTS AND FRONT PAGE SPACE IN MANY MAJOR NEWSPAPERS WITH FULLER TREATMENT INSIDE. COVERAGE, BASED ON INTERNATIONAL WIRE SERVICE DISPATCHES, MOSTLY REGARDS ITINERARY, SECURITY MEASURES, AND VIOLENCE IN URUGUAY PLUS REVIEW OF PARAGUAY VISIT. SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO BROADCASTS HAVE MENTIONED ROCKEFELLER'S LETTER TO MAGALHAES PINTO THANKING HIM FOR RECEIVING MISSION. VISIT DREW LITTLE EDITORIAL PAGE COMMENT BUT COLUMNISTS ARE STILL ANALYSING IT. CORREIO DA MANHA'S ECONOMIC SUPPLEMENT PUBLISHED IN FULL PRESENTATION MADE BY PLANNING MINISTER BELTRAO TO MISSION IN BRASILIA.

3. COMMENT: INDEPENDENT JORNAL DO BRASIL'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT OCTAVIO BONFIM IN DISPATCH FROM PUNTA DEL ESTE SAYS, "IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF DESOLATION AND SPECIAL SECURITY MEASURES, GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER LISTENED TO URUGUAYAN AUTHORITIES' SUGGESTIONS ON WHAT US POLICY FOR LATAM SHOULD BE ... IN EARLIER TRIPS ROCKEFELLER AND HIS GROUP WERE NOT CONVINCED THAT CHANGES WERE NEEDED IN US LATAM POLICIES. BUT AFTER HEARING BRAZILIAN, PARAGUAYAN AND URUGUAYAN AUTHORITIES, NIXON'S SPECIAL ENVOY UNDERSTANDS THE IMPORTANCE OF  
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INNOVATIONS WHICH WILL CAUSE US-LATAM RELATIONS TO DEVELOP IN AN ATMOSPHERE BENEFICIAL FOR BOTH PARTIES."

4. JAYME DANTAS IN SAME NEWSPAPER SAYS, "ALREADY IN THE FINAL STRETCH OF HIS JORNEY THROUGH MAJOR POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CENTERS OF LATAM, GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER IS STILL TRYING TO UNDERSTAND CLEARLY THE REFRAIN RESOUNDING AT EVERY POINT ALONG HIS PASSAGE. REALLY, FROM THE CONFUSING VOICES ONE HEARS... IT IS HARD TO KNOW IF LATAM IS ASKING FOR TRADE, BUT AID; OR TRADE AND AID ... BUT WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE GOVERNOR TO PRESENT HIS RECOMMENDATIONS TO NIXON FOR A CHANGE IN US LATAM POLICY, YANKEES AND LATINS HAVE BEGUN TALKING TURKEY ... HENCE ROCKEFELLER'S MISSION HAS FOUND ITS COURSE."

5. DIARIOS ASSOCIADOS JORNAL DO COMMERCIO RUNS COLUMN BY COELHO DE SOUZA WHICH SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN MUCH EARLIER IN HISTORY OF ROCKEFELLER MISSION. COLUMNIST SAYS, "THE ROCKEFELLER MISSION HAS NOT HAD A VERY DISTINGUISHED BEGINNING, LEAVING A BALANCE OF TEN DEAD AND HUNDREDS WOUNDED ... US NEWSPAPERS RECOGNIZE THIS AND CALL FOR CANCELLATION OF THE MISSION, AS DO MOST EXPERTS ON LATAM POLITICIS, ALTHOUGH ROCKEFELLER SEES THE GENERAL REACTION SIMPLY AS DEMONSTRATIONS OF EXTREMIST MINORITIES ... BUT THESE MINORITIES ONLY SUCCEED BECAUSE THEY FIND AN ATMOSPHERE HOSTILE TO FOREIGN CAPITALISM -- AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES. LATAM ... IS NOW AWARE OF ITS VITAL PROBLEMS, ITS DESTINY, AND ITS POSITION. IT REJECTS FOREIGN TO (TO SAY NOTHING OF DMOESTIC) PATERNALISM."

6. IN DIARIOS ASSOCIADOS O JORNAL JOAQUIM LAGRECA SAYS "ROCKEFELLER'S POINT OF VIEW THAT US LATAM PROBLEMS MUST HAVE A POLITICAL, NOT A TECHNICAL SOLUTION" IS CREATING SPECULATION REGARDING AMOUNT OF INFLUENCE REPORT WILL HAVE ON NIXON'S FUTURE LATAM POLICIES. COLUMNIST ALSO POINTS OUT THAT US PRESS HAS ALREADY CRITICIZED ROCKEFELLER'S IDENTIFICATION WITH MILITARY REGIMES AND MENTIONS REPUBLICANS TENDENCY TO CUT FUNDS. HENCE, HE CONCLUDES, "ALTHOUGH MISSION CREATED HOPES OF IMPROVED ECONOMIC TREATMENT ITS OBJECT WULD BE BETTER INTERPRETED AS POINTING OUT TO EACH COUNTRY THAT ITS DEVELOPMENT IS A DOMESTIC MATTER WHICH WILL RECEIVE CONSTANTLY LESS HELP FROM US PUBLIC RESOURCES."

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