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SUBU: ARENA CHOOSES MEDICI AS PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

REF: BRASILIA 442

AS WAS EXPECTED, ON OCTOBER 16 ARENA NATIONAL DIRECTORATE WHOLH IMPOWERED BY I.A. 16 TO CHOOSE PARTY'S PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES (REFTEL) UNANIMOUSLY SELECTED GENERAL MEDICI TO BE ARENA CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENCY. ADMIRAL RADEMAKER CHOSEN VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE WITH 61 VOTES IN FAVOR AND ONE ABSTENTION (WHICH PRESS SPECULATES POSSIBLY WAS ADMIRAL AMORIM DO VALE).

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