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1. SAO PAULO GOVERNOR ADEMAR DE BARROS DISTRIBUTED TO RIO PRESS MARCH 13 MANIFESTO REPEATING HIS OFT-REPEATED CHARGES AGAINST ADMINISTRATION, THOUGH NOT SPECIFICALLY CALLING FOR PRESIDENT TO RESIGN AS HE DID ON MARCH 11 (EMBTEL 2027). *pol 18 B*
2. MANIFESTO REVIEWS MARCH 31 REVOLUTION FROM INCEPTION TO PRESENT EXTOLLING IN PARTICULAR "DECISION" OF COURAGEOUS GOVERNOR OF SAO PAULO". CHARGES THAT CASTELLO BRANCO, RATHER THAN GOVERNING NATION LIKE "CHIEF OF GREAT AND NOBLE FAMILY ... PREFERRED MAKE HIMSELF PRESIDENT OF SMALL POLITICAL FACTION". *XR pol 14 B*

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PRESIDENT ALSO CENSURED FOR ABOLISHING POLITICAL PARTIES AND "SEEKING TO DESTROY ALL THOSE OPPOSED TO HIS DICTATORIAL PROCLIVITY" (CITED AS EXAMPLES ARE KUBITSCHK, CARLOS LACERDA AND MAGALHAES PINTO). MANIFESTO LATER ACCUSES CASTELLO BRANCO OF TRYING TO "CANCEL OUT THOSE WHO SHOW SELVES OBSTACLES TO HIS PERPETUATION IN POWER", AND DECLARES THERE IS "SILENT POLITICAL STRUGGLE BEING WAGED AGAINST CANDIDACY OF GENERAL COSTA E SILVA". DOCUMENT DWELLS AT SOME LENGTH ON "GENERAL PUBLIC DISCONTENT" CAUSED BY HIGH COST OF LIVING AND "REMOVAL OF PEOPLE FROM PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC LIFE". IN CLOSING, GOVERNOR SAYS HE "RAISING STANDARD OF LIBERTY" AGAIN, HOPING OTHER VOICES WILL JOIN HIS TO FORCE "GOVERNMENT RETURN TO FULL JURIDICAL ORDER AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGALITY".

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3. GOVT REACTION TO MANIFESTO HAS BEEN LIMITED. JUSTICE MIN MEM DE SA CALLED DOCUMENT "PROVOCATIVE, IMPRUDENT AND RUDE". ALSO OBSERVED "OPINIONS HAD SAME VALUE AS PEOPLE WHO UTTERED THEM" AND THAT AT 70 GOVERNOR'S PRONOUNCEMENTS HAD SAME IMPORTANCE HE HIMSELF ENJOYED BEFORE PUBLIC OPINION. MEM DA SA ADDED THAT IF GOVERNOR'S REMARKS WERE EXAMINED BY GOVT, DUE CONSIDERATION

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