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Attention Mrs. Mullett
Keep this study together.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Proposed Message from President
Johnson to Brazilian President
Costa e Silva, expressing condolences
on the death of former President
Castello Branco

The Department has been informed by our Embassy
in Rio de Janeiro of the death of former President
Humberto Castello Branco in an airplane accident on
July 18.

Enclosed is a proposed message of condolences to
President Costa e Silva from President Johnson.

It is proposed to have President Johnson's message,
if it is approved, delivered to President Costa e Silva
by our Embassy in Brasilia (or at Rio de Janeiro, depending
on circumstances) with a courtesy copy to the Brazilian
Foreign Ministry.

G. Kelly
for

Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

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Proposed message from President Johnson

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SUGGESTED PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

I have just learned of the tragic death of former President Humberto Castello Branco. On behalf of myself and the Government and people of the United States I extend sincere condolences for this great loss to Brazil and to the world.

Sincerely,

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