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DATE: APR 30 1963
April 23, 1963

FROM : Amembassy BRASILIA Office

SUBJECT : Views of Colonel Cairolí on "Municipalization" in Distrito Federal

REF :

During a conversation at a cocktail party in his home, Lieutenant Colonel Carlos Molinari Cairolí, Chief of the Brazilian Federal Police, expressed his views on the "municipalization" of the autonomous foundations in the Distrito Federal. He criticized the Fundação Educacional, which functioned like a city school board, because according to him it was infiltrated with Communists. Cairolí was a school-mate of President Goulart's in Rio Grande do Sul, and is in almost daily contact with him.

For the Ambassador:

Williams Beal

Williams Beal,
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure: *att. m. m.*
Memorandum of Conversation

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

April 10, 1963

PARTICIPANTS: Tenente Coronel Carlos Cairoli,
Artillery, Chief of the Departamento Federal
de Segurança Publica (DFSP - Brazilian
Federal Police)

Second Secretary C. Dirck Keyser

Another DFSP Police Officer

PLACE: Colonel Cairoli's apartment

SUBJECT: "Municipalization" of the Distrito Federal
Foundations

Speaking of the recent "Municipalization" of the Foundations of the Distrito Federal during a cocktail party in his apartment, Colonel Cairoli said that the idea was a good one, since the Foundations had not been working very well.

In the case of the District Hospital Foundation, for instance, the Foundations had allowed the doctors to maintain their private offices in the hospital, and one result had been that the doctors paid more attention to patients that could pay than to free patients. Some doctors never seemed to have any time for free patients, and made as much as a thousand contos (CR\$1,000,000 -- US\$1,587.30 at the current rate of CR\$630 to the dollar) per month.

~ Educacional
As for the Fundação Cultural (which functioned like a city school board), it too had not been working well, and in fact was full of Communists.

"Municipalization" would permit direct management by the government of the Distrito Federal and would thus be more efficient.

Mr. Keyser asked about the pro-municipalization demonstration that he and another Embassy officer had observed

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that day in the Praça dos Tres Poderes in front of the Palacio do Planalto (the presidential office building). A police officer who had been participating in the conversation with Colonel Cairoli and Mr. Keyser observed that the demonstration had been very much a spontaneous popular movement. Colonel Cairoli, with an air of innocence, said that the strange thing was that the Prefect (mayor) of the Distrito Federal, Ivo Magalhaes, had left town that morning, even though he knew that the demonstration was scheduled. Even more interesting, the Colonel observed, was that the demonstration had supported the mayor's position. Mr. Keyser smiled and observed that it had in fact looked like it had been organized by the municipal authorities, and he had the impression that those who had turned out were simply the Distrito's laborers, assigned this duty for the afternoon. There had, for instance, been an apparent preponderance of Public Sanitation workers present. He said about three to five hundred seemed to be present for the demonstration. Moreover, they had all been brought to the scene in trucks, presumably belonging to the Distrito. Colonel Cairoli affected innocent surprise, and the other police officer insisted that many of the demonstrators had come on foot.

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