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C O N F I D E N T I A L OCTOBER 7

REF: A) EMBTEL 735; B) EMBTEL 726

1. PRESIDENT NOW APPARENTLY FEELS CRISIS HAS SUBSIDED AND THAT HE HAS SITUATION WELL IN HAND. (SEE DAO C-145)

2. NOTE REPORTED IN REF A WAS ISSUED FOLLOWING MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT AND MILITARY MINISTERS, PRESIDENT AND HIS CLOSE POLITICAL ADVISORS, AND WAR MINISTER'S VISIT TO VILA MILITAR. THIS IS OBVIOUS "COMPENSATING ACT" MENTIONED IN PARA 5, REF B.

3. WE ARE INFORMED THAT ONE OF MEASURES CONTEMPLATED IN CONNECTION WITH STRENGTHENING "REVOLUTIONARY ACTION" IS REQUIRE-

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MENT OF FEDERAL APPROVAL FOR ALL STATE SECRETARIES OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND STATE POLICE COMMANDERS. ACCORDING TO PRESS, OTHERS MAY INCLUDE NEW LAW OF PUBLIC SAFETY, NEW LAW ON RESPONSIBILITY OF PRESS, JUDICIAL REFORM, AMPLIFICATION OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S POWERS OF INTERVENTION IN STATES.

4. "REGULATIONS OF PERSONS WHOSE POLITICAL RIGHTS SUSPENDED" REFERS TO "ESTATUTO DOS CASSADOS" WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER DISCUSSION PREVIOUSLY. THERE MUCH SPECULATION NOW THAT STATUTE WILL BE BROADER AND MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN HAD BEEN ENVISAGED EARLIER.

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5. NEGRAO DE LIMA MADE PUBLIC STATEMENT YESTERDAY THANKING PUBLIC FOR VOTE OF CONFIDENCE AND PROMISING HIGH-QUALITY GOVERNMENT BUT SKIRTING NATIONAL POLITICAL ISSUES. IN THAT STATEMENT AND OTHER DECLARATIONS TO PRESS, NEGRAO EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE IN DEMOCRATIC SPIRIT OF ARMED FORCES AND INDICATED BELIEF THAT HE WOULD BE ALLOWED TAKE OFFICE. OTHER PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT NEGRAO DE LIMA URGING COLLEAGUES TO AVOID PROVOCATIVE STATEMENTS OR ACTIONS IN PRESENT SITUATION.

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6. NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF PSD ISSUED NOTE TO PRESS DECLARING THAT ELECTIONS HAD INCREASED PARTY'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO NATION AND STATING CONFIDENCE THAT NEW PSD GOVERNORS WILL ORGANIZE GOVERNMENTS OF "HIGH MORAL AND POLITICAL QUALITIES AS IS DEMANDED BY THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES OF PRESENT HOUR".

7. JUSCELINO KUBITSCHKE DROVE TO BELO HORIZONTE YESTERDAY. ON ARRIVAL HE GAVE SHORT STATEMENT TO PRESS BUT REFUSED TO MAKE ANY POLITICAL DECLARATIONS. KUBITSCHKE DID HOWEVER DENY REPORTS THAT HE HAD TOLD FOREIGN PRESS EARLIER THAT HE RETURNING TO BRAZIL TO FIGHT FOR 'REDEMOCRATIZATION OF COUNTRY AND TO REGAIN PRESIDENCY.

8. POSSIBLY BECAUSE OF HIS OWN UNCERTAINTY OVER COURSE OF CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS, CARLOS LACERDA CANCELLED MEETING WITH PRESS HE HAD CALLED FOR YESTERDAY EVENING.

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