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FOR IPS, IES/RX, PASS IAL

1. IN OCTOBER 7 RADIO/TV BROADCAST, CARLOS LACERDA CHARGED DEFEAT OF HIS CANDIDATE IN LEANABARA TO MACHINATIONS OF PRESIDENT CASTELO ERANCO. ANNOUNCED INTENTION RENCUNCE HIS UDN CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENT "WHICH NO LONGER MAKES SENSE" SINCE PARTY CANNOT AT SAME TIME SUPPORT LACERDA AND CASTELLO ERANCO GOVERNMENT WHICH DOES NOT ACKNOWLEDGE HIS CANDIDACY AND IS "DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO CONDEMN COUNTRY TO SLEIGHT-OF-HAND CALLED INDIRECT ELECTIONS" LACERDA READ LETTER TO UDN PRESIDENT ERNANI SATIRO

PAGE TWO RUESUA 203 UNCLAS ASKING THAT PARTY VINVENTION EE CALLED SO THAT HE CAN "RETURN" CANDIDACY, LEAVING PARTY FREE FORM ALLIANCE WITH PSD AND PTB AROUND PRESIDENT CASTELLO BRANCO. HE DOES NOT INTEND TAKE PART THIS "PREST ID IGITATION" OF REVOLUTION THROUGH INDIRECT ELECTIONS, WHICH WILL " END IN DEFEAT OF PLOPLE".

2. LACERDA ASSERTED ELECTION RESULTS CONSTITUTED COUNTER-REVOLUTION, LED BY CORRUPT FORCES, SUBVERSIVES AND PERSONS WITHOUT POLITICAL RIGHTS WHO EXPLOITED UNPOPULARITY OF GOVERNMENT. THIS ENDORSED BY VOTERS WHO LACKED BREAD AND CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT. LACERDA

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