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### SUMMARY

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President Costa e Silva commented on his administration's national security policy during his June 26 speech to the ARENA National Convention. An extract of the Strategic Development Program entitled the National Strategic Concept was distributed to convention delegates and the press. This document stresses national security and development and outlines government policies on a wide range of subjects including nuclear energy policy and an apparent reference to non-participation in an Inter-American Peace Force. The emphasis placed on the National Strategic Concept by the President in his only speech to his party's convention underscores the importance of the expanded concept of national security to the present administration.

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1. President COSTA E SILVA commented on his administration's national security policy during his June 26 speech to the

Enclosure: Portuguese Text of National Strategic Concept- (Dept. only)

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ARENA National Convention in Brasilia (Ref A). Departing from his prepared text, the President stated that he had brought with him an "ultra secret" document of the "highest importance" which he referred to as the Strategic Program of Development (Programa Estratégico de Desenvolvimento). The President said the document would constitute the "basic guidelines" for his Government which would be followed "with tenacity and pertinacity regardless of all obstacles." Following the speech an extract of the Strategic Program of Development--entitled the National Strategic Concept (Conceito Estratégico Nacional-CEN)--was distributed to the convention delegates and to the press. (The Portuguese text of the CEN is enclosed.)

2. The National Strategic Concept stresses national security and development and, in general terms tinged with nationalism, outlines government policies in a wide range of foreign and domestic matters. The Concept is divided into five sections: Introduction; Permanent National Objectives; Essential Elements of Governmental Policy in the political, economic, military, and psycho-social fields; Premise of Internal Security; and Objectives of National Security Policy. The following is a free translation of excerpts of the document.

-- Introduction. The execution of the second phase of the "Democratic Revolution" is now underway through the consolidation of the new legal system and through the establishment of new and definitive directions for the nation. In synthesis the essential aspects of the National Policy of the Revolution are development and security. The National Strategic Concept is the basic document that enunciates the directions of the National Security Policy. In it are traced the guiding principles of government action, establishing the measures that will be adopted in the political, economic, military and psycho-social fields in order to insure the achievement of national objectives.

--Permanent National Objectives. Representative democracy (especially emphasized by the President when he read the objectives at the convention), social peace, national prosperity, and national sovereignty.

--Essential Elements of Governmental Policy. Support the strengthening of the OAS inter-American system, having in view the economic integration of Latin America and the Dynamization of LAFTA.... Support international disarmament steps, including the proscription of nuclear arms, reserving the right of full use of the atom for peaceful purposes....Promote the acceleration of development, maintaining adequate control over inflation....Attract foreign

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