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Atomic Energy CPI Lists Those to Testify

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1. At its March 14 meeting the Atomic Energy Congressional Investigating Committee (Comissão Parlamentar de Inquérito-CPI) decided on some of the governmental and private figures that it would ask to testify. Among those the CPI expects to hear are : the Minister of Mines and Energy, COSTA CAVALCANTE; the Minister of Foreign Relations, MAGALHES PINHO; the Secretary General of the National Security Council, General Jaime FERREIRA; the chairman of National Nuclear Energy Committee and the National Research Council; and scientists Marcelo DAMY and Luis CIPIERA DO PRADO. When, and in what order, they will be called is not known at this time.
2. Subjects to be discussed include the extent of Brazilian atomic mineral resources and government control of these resources; the present situation of the state monopoly of nuclear energy; and the general outlines of the government's nuclear energy policy, especially its plans for utilizing nuclear energy for peaceful and industrial purposes.
3. The CPI also approved the sending of a request for information to the National Nuclear Energy Commission concerning the exportation of minerals that contain nuclear elements.

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