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In view of your and Sao Paulo's reports of possibilities of political exploitation of present situation by PSD, what do you think of desirability and feasibility of Congress choosing nationally resected, apolitical President whose prestige supported by strong, relatively apolitical cabinet second enable taking needed steps in pushing through an effective program in an election year. If answer is in affirmative, is Embassy in a position exerti influence in this direction?

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