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By *amy* NARS, Date *5/2/77*

1. DURING BRASILIA RECEPTION FOR SENEGAL PRESIDENT SENGHOR TUESDAY EVENING, PRESIDENT CASTELLO BRANCO SAID TO ME THAT AFTER PROSPECTIVE VISIT NEXT MONTH OF DE GAULLE, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO THINK OF POSSIBILITY OF AN AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO BRAZIL. HE NOTED THAT PRESIDENT KENNEDY HAD ACCEPTED SUCH AN INVITATION BUT HAD BEEN UNABLE TO CARRY OUT VISIT. HE SAID THAT SUBJECT WOULD NATURALLY AWAIT OUTCOME OUR NOVEMBER ELECTION CFN 709 25 5PM

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BUT THAT THEREAFTER HE WOULD WANT TO TAKE IT UP WITH ME SERIOUSLY.

2. THIS SUBJECT ALSO MENTIONED FAVORABLY IN SECTION I PARA NINE CURRENT SHORT-TERM BRAZIL POLICY PAPER. WHILE NOT OF IMMEDIATE URGENCY, I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GENERAL GUIDANCE AS TO PRESIDENT'S THINKING THIS MATTER. ASSUMING PRESIDENT'S RE-ELECTION, I SHALL NEED DEFINITIVE GUIDANCE SOON THEREAFTER.

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