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FOLLOWING IS FREE TRANSLATION CASTELLO BRANCO STATEMENT TO THE NATION BROADCAST APRIL 11 AFTER HIS ELECTION AS PRESIDENT.

ARMY

"MY ELECTION BY THE NATIONAL CONGRESS IN AN EXPRESSIVE VOTE TRANSLATES CLEARLY THE HEAVY BURDEN OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH I KNEW I HAD ASSUMED IN ACCEPTING THE INDICATION OF MY CANDIDACY FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC BY PONDERABLE POLITICAL FORCES UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF VARIOUS STATE GOVERNORS.

NAVY

"THE WARMTH OF PUBLIC OPINION (EXPRESSED THROUGH) AUTHENTIC POPULAR MANIFESTATIONS AND (BY) NUMEROUS CLASS ENTITIES, HAS MOVED ME TO THIS ATTITUDE. NOW, TRUSTING IN GOD, I HOPE TO MEASURE UP TO THE EXPECTATIONS OF MY COMPATRIOTS IN THIS HOUR SO DECISIVE FOR THE DESTINIES OF BRAZIL, FULLY CARRYING OUT THE LOFTY OBJECTIVES OF APRIL'S VICTORIOUS MOVEMENT IN WHICH THE ENTIRE PEOPLE AND THE ARMED FORCES JOINED TOGETHER IN THE COMMON ASPIRATION OF RESTORING LEGALITY, REINVIGORATING DEMOCRACY, REESTABLISHING PEACE, AND PROMOTING PROGRESS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.

AIR

"I HOPE ALSO, WITH THE HELP OF THE SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION OF ALL BRAZILIANS AND THE RECOGNITION OF THE GRAVITY OF THE PRESENT /HOUR

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HOUR, TO BE ABLE, AT THE BEGINNING OF 1966, TO HAND OVER TO MY SUCCESSOR, LEGITIMATELY ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE IN FREE ELECTIONS, A NATION COHESIVE AND STILL MORE CONFIDENT IN ITS FUTURE, WHICH IS NO LONGER ASSAULTED BY THE FEARS AND PAINFUL PROBLEMS OF THE PRESENT.

"TO THE NATIONAL CONGRESS, WITH ALL MY RESPECT AS A BRAZILIAN AND AS PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE REPUBLIC, I PRESENT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY, AND IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY, MY SALUTATIONS."

GORDON

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