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- 1. PRESIDENT CASTELLO BRANCO WILL MAKE NATION WIDE RAIDO BROADCAST AT 11:00 THIS MORNING (0900 EDT) REPORTS INDICATE THAT PRESIDENT NOW INTENDS TO ANNOUNCE EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES TO SOLVE POLITICAL CRISIS.
- 2. CONGRESS MET UNTIL 3:30 THIS MORNING DISCUSSING AND DEBATING EMERGENCY LEGISLATION. ANOTHER SESSION WAS CALLED FOR 4:30 BUT HAD TO BE CANCELLED FOR LACK OF QUORUM. NEXT SESSION WAS CALLED FOR 2:30 PM WITH VOTING OF EMERGENCY LEGISLATION TO BEGIN AT 3:00, BUT WHETHER THIS TAKES PLACE OR NOT WILL OBVIOUSLY DEPEND ON CONTENTS PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH.
- 3. WILL REPORT CONTENT SPEECH AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS AS SOON AS HARD INFO AVAILABLE.

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