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BIOGRAPHIC DATA

BRAZIL
Maj Gen Altair Franco FERREIRA
April 1965

(U) NAME: Maj Gen Altair Franco Ferreira
(FRAHN-koh fehr-RAY-rah), Army.

(U) POSITION: Chief, Directorate General of Remount and Veterinary Service, General Supply Department, since June 1964.

(U) SIGNIFICANCE: All possible promotions were for merit.

(S/NFD) POLITICS: Formerly considered an ultra-nationalist radical. He was believed to be one of the officers who would have cooperated with leftist-tending former President Goulart in any action he might take.

(U) PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 22 April 1903.

(U) Decorations: U.S. Legion of Merit (Legionnaire), Bronze Star; Chilean Silver Star; Brazilian Military Medal (4 Platinum Stars), Order of Military Merit (Commander), War Medal, Campaign Medal, Peacemaker Medal, Marshal Hermes Study Medal (Bronze with 1 Crown).

(U) CAREER:

1920	- Entered military service, 28 Feb.
1930	- Promoted to 1st Lt, 8 Nov.
1933	- Promoted to Capt, 18 Aug.
?	- Student, Officers Advanced School.
1941	- Promoted to Maj, 25 Dec.
?	- Student, General Staff Course, Army Command and General Staff School.
1944	- Student, U.S. Army Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.
1944-1945?	- Commander, 1st Reconnaissance Squadron, 1st Infantry Division, in Italy. Promoted to Lt Col, 25 Sept 1945.
?	- Assigned to 3d Cavalry Regiment.
?	- Assigned to Staff, 1st Infantry Division.
?	- Assigned to Directorate of Armament and Ammunition.
1951	- Promoted to Col, 25 July.

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? - Instructor, Advanced Officers School.
? - Chief of Staff, 1st Military Region.
1955 - Commander, 2d Tank Battalion, 1st Armored Division.
1958 - Chief of Staff, 2d Army, São Paulo.
1958-1959 - Secretary, Joint Brazilian-U.S. Military Commission (JBUSMC).
Promoted to Brig Gen, 25 Dec 1958.
1960 - Chief of Staff, 2d Army.
1961 - Student, Superior War Course, Superior War School.
1962-1963 - Chief, Directorate of Army Instruction.
1963-1964 - Commander, 7th Military Region and 7th Infantry Division,
Recife, Pernambuco, 5 Aug 1963-June 1964. Promoted to
Maj Gen, 25 Nov 1963.
1964-Present - Chief, Directorate General of Remount and Veterinary Service,
General Supply Department.

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