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15. SUMMARY:

This report provides information on twenty Navy flag officer billet changes and lists additional changes expected shortly.

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1. The following Navy flag officer assignments have occurred as a result of the recent flag officer promotions:
- a. Chief of the Naval General Staff/Chief of Naval Operations - ADM José de Carvalho JORDÃO (to take effect on or about 2 May 1973).
  - b. Fleet Commander in Chief - VADM GUAHNER Maria Menezes de Magalhães (to assume in May 1973).
  - c. Commandant Sixth Naval District (São Paulo) - VADM Roberto Ferreira TEIXEIRA DE FREITAS (to assume in May 1973).

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- d. Commandant Third Naval District (Recife) - VADM MARIO Rodrigues da COSTA (to assume in May 1973).
- e. Chief of Staff, Naval Operations Command - VADM Eddy Sampaio ESPELLET (assumed on 5 April 1973).
- f. Commandant Fourth Naval District (Belem) - RADM Roberto ANDERSEN Cavalcanti (to assume in May 1973).
- g. Director of Civilian Personnel of the Navy - RADM ATHOS Monteiro da Silveira (to assume April 1973).
- h. Vice Director of Military Personnel of the Navy - RADM Arnaldo Courrège IAGE (to assume in May 1973).
- i. Commandant Natal Naval Command - RADM Fernando Carvalho CHAGAS (to assume in May 1973).
- j. Submarine Force Commander (upgraded to flag billet) - RADM Alfredo KARAM (assumed on 17 March 1972).
- k. Commandant Ladario Naval Command - RADM Paulo Guilherme Brandão PADILHA (to assume in May 1973).
- l. Admiral Graça Aranha Merchant Marine Training Center (CIAAGA) (upgraded to flag billet) - RADM NEWTON BRAGA de Faria (to assume in May 1973).
- m. Director of Navy Supply - RADM (SC) Estanislau FAÇANHA Sobrinho (to assume on 30 April 1973).
2. Flag officer reassignments that took place in the first quarter of 1973 were:
- a. Commander of Navy Transport Force - VADM Carlos AUTO de Andrade (assumed on 7 February 1973).
- b. Director of Naval Academy - RADM DIOCES Lima de Siqueira (assumed on 13 February 1973).
- c. Director of Navy Social Assistance - RADM Pedro THEDIM Barreto (March 73).
- d. Naval Assistant at the Superior War School - RADM José Calvente ARANDA (March 1973).
- e. Naval Attaché to Washington and Ottawa - RADM Ramon Gomes Leite LABARTHE (February 1973).
- f. Superior War School Senior Course - RADM RUBEM José Rodrigues de MATTOS and RADM ALOYSIO Mendes Lopes (course runs March-December 1973).
3. The following two officers were nominated to fill vacancies in the Supreme Military Tribunal and Naval Tribunal. The officers involved can serve until they reach 70 years of age.
- a. Minister of the Supreme Military Tribunal - ADM HELIO Ramos de Azevedo LEITE (born 15 July 1911).
- b. President of the Naval Tribunal - VADM ELMAR de Mattos Dias (born 7 April 1914).

COMMENT: Under a new decree law that recently went into effect, officers occupying billets outside of the organizational structure of the Navy Ministry do not count against the maximum authorized strength of their rank. For the Navy, this effectively added five additional flag billets as the following

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positions are outside the Navy chain of command:

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a. Vice Chief of Armed Forces General Staff - currently VADM Herick Marques CAMINHA, but the billet is rotated among the three armed forces.

b. Navy Sub Chief on the Armed Forces General Staff - currently occupied by RADM OSORIO de Abreu PINTO.

c. Naval Assistant at the Superior War School.

d. Superior War School Students - currently two RADMs as indicated above.

This new law results in the Navy having fewer than authorized flag officers on-hand and may result in additional RADM promotions in July of this year.

Further flag officer reassignments are expected to be announced before the end of the month involving as a minimum the following billets:

- (1) Secretary General of the Navy - to be vacated by ADM JORDÃO.
- (2) Director General of Naval Personnel - to be vacated by ADM HELIO LEITE.
- (3) Commandant First Naval District - to be vacated by newly selected ADM HENNING.
- (4) Director of Naval Ordnance - to be vacated by VADM MARIO COSTA who has been reassigned.
- (5) Director of Communications and Electronics - occupied by recently retired VADM LEITE SOARES.
- (6) Director of Military Personnel of the Navy - occupied by recently retired VADM ELMAR.
- (7) Director of Navy Aeronautics - to be vacated by VADM TEIXEIRA FREITAS who has been reassigned.
- (8) Director of Ports and Coasts - occupied by VADM Hilton BERUTII Augusto Moreira who was passed over for promotion to Admiral and has requested retirement.
- (9) Director of the Naval Intelligence Center - currently vacant.
- (10) Director of Control Center of Navy Supply - being vacated by RADM (SC) FAÇANHA who has been reassigned.

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