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BIOGRAPHIC DATA

BRAZIL

Lt Col Hernani D'AGUIAR

January 1967

(U) NAME: Lt Col Hernani D'Aguiar (dah-ghee-AHR), Army.

(U) POSITION: Secretary to Marshal (Ret) Arthur da Costa e Silva (President-elect, to be inaugurated 15 Mar 1967), since Sept 1965.

(C) SIGNIFICANCE: A forceful, intelligent officer, completely loyal to Costa e Silva, Col D'Aguiar is held in high regard by contemporaries. A good writer, he writes speeches for the President-elect and he will probably remain closely associated with him after the inauguration, perhaps in a public relations position. His last field-grade promotion was for merit. He accompanied Costa e Silva on post-election world trip, including a visit to U.S., Jan 1967.

(C) POLITICS:

(C) International: Friendly toward the U.S. and a great admirer of President John F. Kennedy. Anti-Communist.

(C) Internal: A supporter of the April 1964 revolution that ousted leftist-tending João Goulart (President 1961-1964), he is in agreement with the programs initiated during the tenure of Castello Branco (President since Apr 1964), and favors their continued implementation by Costa e Silva.

(C) PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 23 Oct 1923 in Guanabara, Brazil.

(C) Family: Wife, Teresa Maria Peiscotch D'Aguiar (Caucasian; born in State of Rio Grande do Norte; Roman Catholic; slender, attractive brunette; devoted to family; friendly to U.S. personnel, but does not speak English). Children (3): 2 sons (born about 1947 and 1948; older resigned from Naval Academy after 3 months, now attending School of Engineering, University of Brazil); 1 daughter (born about 1950).

(C) Description: Medium build (5'10", 160 lbs), erect posture. Blond, thinning hair; clear blue eyes; light complexion; oval face. Immaculate dresser. Drinks Scotch (straight) socially. Smokes, likes to dance, prefers informal parties. Best approached in a friendly, open manner.

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(U) Languages: Native Portuguese, good English.

(U) Religion: Roman Catholic.

(U) Decorations: Brazilian Order of Military Merit (Knight), Military Medal (Silver Clasp), War Medal.

(U) CAREER:

1942-1944 - Cadet, Military Academy, from 28 Feb 1942. Appointed Probationary 2d Lt in Artillery, 4 Nov 1944.
1945 - Promoted to 2d Lt, 2 Mar.
1947 - Promoted to 1st Lt, 25 Mar.
? - Student, Antiaircraft Artillery and Antiaircraft Defense Courses.
1950 - Promoted to Capt, 25 Mar.
? - Student, Officers Advanced School.
1955 - Promoted to Maj, 25 Apr.
1964 - Promoted to Lt Col, 25 Aug.
1964-1965 - Student, Army Command and General Staff School, from Nov 1964.
1965-Present - Secretary to Marshal (Ret) Arthur da Costa e Silva (President-elect, to be inaugurated 15 Mar 1967), since Sept 1965. Accompanied Costa e Silva on world trip, including a visit to U.S., Jan 1967.