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FLAG RANK RETIREMENTS/PROMOTIONS (U)

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1. (U) SOURCES ARE OFFICERS ON THE STAFF OF THE CNO IN RIO AND ALLUSNA IN BRASILIA.

2. (C) ADMIRAL ANTONIO BORGES DA SILVEIRA LOBO, CNO, WAS PLACED ON THE RETIRED LIST ON 26 DEC 71 AS PREDICTED BY REF A. HOWEVER, IT IS NOW BEING SAID THAT HE WILL REMAIN AS CNO UNTIL ABOUT MID-JANUARY 72. THIS DELAY IN THE CHANGE-OVER TO A NEW CNO IS APPARENTLY LINKED TO ADM LOBO'S POST-RETIREMENT PLANS AND THE LACK OF ANY URGENCY DURING THIS PERIOD OF REDUCED ACTIVITY. THE CHOICE OF THE NEW CNO HAS NOT BEEN ANNOUNCED BUT ALL INDICATIONS STILL POINT TO ADM FRANCISCO AUGUSTSIMAS DA ALCANTRA.

3. (C) ON 29 DEC 71 VADM MARIO GERALDO FERREIRA BRAGA REQUESTED TO BE RETIRED AND TODAY VADM JAYME CARNEIRO DE CAMPOS PEREIRA (WHO WAS UNASSIGNED THROUGHOUT 1971) AND RADM JOSE FRANCISCO PEREIRA DAS NEVES SUBMITTED RETIREMENT REQUESTS.

4. (C) THE RESULTS OF THE RETIREMENTS EFFECTED AND REQUESTED

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THIS WEEK CAUSE PROMOTION SELECTIONS TO BE MADE THIS CALENDAR YEAR TO FILL THESE VACANCIES. A SELECTION BOARD MET 29 DEC 71 AND RECOMMENDED THREE VADM FOR THE ONE FOUR STAR VACANCY: VADM LUIZ PENIDO ~~BURNED~~, OCTAVIO JOSE SAMPAIO FERNANDES AND JOSE UZEDA DE OLIVEIRA (THE PRESIDENT WILL CHOOSE ONE). IN ADDITION, SELECTION LISTS WERE FORWARDED TO FILL THE VADM AND RADM VACANCIES BEING CREATED BY THIS PROMOTION AND VADM BRAGA'S RETIREMENT. 5. (C) BECAUSE OF TODAY'S RETIREMENTS REQUESTS BY VADM ESPOSEL AND RADM DAS NEVES, THE SELECTION BOARD WILL RECONVENE ON 31 DEC 71 TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO FILL THESE VACANCIES. ALL THESE PROMOTIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE PRESIDENT BEFORE THE END OF CALENDAR YEAR 1971 TO PREVENT THE BRAZNAV COMPLEX FORCED RETIREMENT REGULATIONS FROM BEING APPLIED AGAINST SOME "FAVORITE SONS" AMONG THE FLAG RANKS IN EARLY 1972. IT IS NOW THE SPECULATION THAT RADM JOSE DA SILVA SA ~~LEARN~~ WILL BE PROMOTED RATHER THAN FORCED INTO RETIREMENT AS REPORTED BY REF A AND THAT RADM JOSE DE SA BEIRREN-BACH WILL BE FORCED INTO RETIREMENT INSTEAD. GP-3

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