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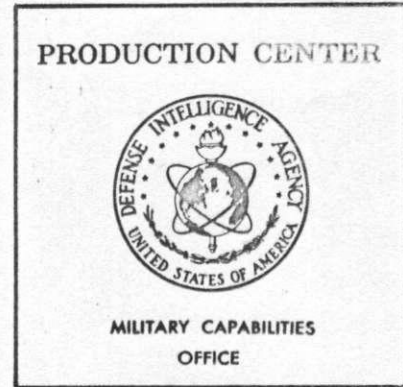
Maj Gen Adamastor Beltrão CANTALICE

April 1966

(U) NAME: Maj Gen Adamastor Beltrão Cantalice
(kahn-tah-LEE-seh), Air Force.

(U) POSITION: Commandant, Air Force Command and
General Staff School, Rio de Janeiro, since
1 Feb 1963.

(C) SIGNIFICANCE: Reportedly an honest and
hard working officer, Gen Cantalice is described
by many as not particularly forceful or
imaginative. An excellent speaker with an
engaging personality, he readily makes friends
and accomplishes a great deal through personal
contacts. He is greatly influenced by his very
attractive, ambitious wife, and much of his
success in the past probably can be attributed
to Mrs. Cantalice, a long-time ardent and vocal supporter of former President
Juscelino Kubitschek (presidential hopeful of the Social Democratic Party
who cooperated with João Goulart, President from 1961 to Apr 1964). He is a
pilot; two of his field grade promotions were for merit.



(C/NFD) POLITICS:

(C/NFD) International: Pro-U.S.; friendly with U.S. personnel in
Brazil. While Commandant of the Air Force Academy (1959-1961), he
introduced some courses and material used in the U.S. Air Force Academy.
Probably anti-Communist.

(C) Internal: A long-time pro-Vargas officer, he is a supporter of
Kubitschek, Vargas' successor, and probably of Goulart. He welcomed Kubitschek
at the airport upon the latter's return to Brazil on 4 Oct 1965. He was
without assignment during the Quadros administration (Jan-Aug 1961). He
apparently returned to favor when President Goulart came to power, however,
and was given the important command of the 5th Air Zone in Rio Grande do
Sul (1961-1963). He was opposed to Leonel Brizzola, pro-Communist and
anti-U.S. brother-in-law of President Goulart, and in 1961 warned his
troops against the dangers of Communist infiltration in the Air Force.

(C) PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 28 Oct 1909 in Joao Pessoa, State of Paraiba, Brazil.

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(C) Family: Wife, Elza Cantalice, born in Diamantina, State of Minas Gerais (birthplace of Juscelino Kubitschek), is a fanatic and vocal supporter of Kubitschek whom she regards as the Brazilian of all times; fluent English and French; ambitious, very attractive brunette, vivacious, inclined to be a socialite, loves beautiful clothes, has very expensive jewelry; influential with military and government officials, is probably the power behind the family. Children: Lucia (f), born about 1938, married.

(C) Description: Heavy build (5'9 1/2", 190 lbs); dark brown eyes and hair; has a pleasant smile. Very neat in appearance. Does not participate in sports, but enjoys cocktail parties, dinners and other social gatherings.

(U) Languages: Native Portuguese, fluent English, fair French.

(U) Religion: Roman Catholic.

(U) Decorations: Peruvian Cross; Ecuadoran Order of Abdón Calderón (1st Class); Bolivian Pilot "Honoris Causa" (1960); Lebanese Republic Order of Cedar; decorations from Argentina and Paraguay; Brazilian Military Medal (Silver Clasp), Aviation Cross, South Atlantic Campaign Medal, Peacemaker Medal, Marshal Thaumeturgo de Azevedo Medal, Order of Aeronautical Merit (Commander, 11 Oct 1962), Santos Dumont Medal of Merit.

(U) CAREER:

1927-1930 - Cadet, Military Academy, Realengo.
1930-1932 - Student, Military Aviation School, Campo dos Afonsos.
Appointed Probationary 2d Lt (pilot), 25 Jan 1932.
Promoted to 2d Lt, 17 Nov 1932.
1933 - Promoted to 1st Lt, 30 Dec.
1938 - Promoted to Capt, 7 Sept.
? - Student, Air Tactical Course.
1941 - Transferred to the Air Force, 20 Jan.
1941-1942 - Aide and pilot to President Getulio Vargas. Promoted
to Maj, 18 Sept 1942.
? - Student, Air Force Command and General Staff School.
1942-1945 - Member, Brazilian Aeronautical Commission, Washington, D.C.
In Europe during World War II. Patrol missions in South
Atlantic area.
1945-1946 - Commander, Porto Alegre Air Base. Promoted to Lt Col,
1 Nov 1946.
1946 - Commander, Fortaleza Air Base.
? - Instructor, Air Force Academy, Campo dos Afonsos.
1951 - Promoted to Col, 10 Apr.
? - Instructor, Air Force Command and General Staff School,
Rio de Janeiro.
? - Student, Superior War School.

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- 1953-1954 - Assistant to Chief, National Security Council. Aide to President of Lebanon Camille Cahmoun during visit to Brazil, Apr 1954.
- 1954-1957 - Chief, Division of Military Affairs, and Instructor, Superior War School.
- 1957-1958 - Commander, Galeao Air Base, Rio de Janeiro, from 6 Aug 1957. Concurrently, Air Force Representative, National Petroleum Council, 1958. Aide to Gen Thomas D. White, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force, during visit to Brazil, 22-25 Oct 1957. Accompanied Minister of Aeronautics Gen Francisco de Assis Correa de Mello on official visit to U.S., 28 Oct-10 Nov 1958. Promoted to Brig Gen, 17 Dec 1958.
- 1959-1961 - Commandant, Air Force Academy, Campo dos Afonsos, 24 Jan 1959-7 Feb 1961. Concurrent duty with the Air Force Promotions Commission, Oct 1959-Jan 1961. Official visit to U.S., 21 Jun-5 Jul 1959; to Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, and Paraguay, Jan 1960. Visited Argentina, May 1960. Guest of VARIG Airline on inaugural flight of Boeing 707 from Brasilia to New York, Jul 1960.
- 1961 - Air Force General Staff, Rio de Janeiro, awaiting assignment (Apr-Jun).
- 1961 - Air Force Representative to Ministry of Labor on special slum clearance project in State of Guanabara (Jun-Sept).
- 1961-1963 - Commander, 5th Air Zone, Porto Alegre, 25 Oct 1961-1 Feb 1963.
- 1963-Present - Commandant, Air Force Command and General Staff School, Rio de Janeiro. Promoted to Maj Gen, 20 Dec 1963. U.S. orientation tour, 27 Feb-11 Mar 1966.

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