

would not abdicate its sovereign liberty in the nuclear field and would follow its own interests exclusively. A September 12 Jornal do Brasil editorial sharply

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union complaints is the serious threat posed to the present leaders by former communist/leftist trade unionists supporting opposition slates in most key elections currently being held.
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4. Coffee Conference Concludes, Results Welcomed

Brazil's coffee sector and press have welcomed with enthusiasm the outcome of the London Coffee Conference. Most favorably received was Brazil's success in virtually maintaining the nation's share of the international coffee market despite exhaustive efforts on the part of other producers to increase their shares. Other aspects of the negotiations eliciting local satisfaction included: the reinforcement of export controls; Brazil's apparently successful opposition to multilateral debate on the soluble coffee and maritime transport issues within the context of the coffee agreement; and reducing the spread between prices for African and Brazilian coffees which thereby improves the competitive position of the Brazilian product. In general, Brazilians seemed vastly relieved that the clash of interests did not result in the destruction of the coffee agreement. (UNCL)

5. Another Hard-Line Colonel Transferred

Following last week's transfer of four hard-line Army Colonels (WEEKA 36, Item 4), Colonel Francisco Boaventura Cavalcanti was removed as commander of Rio's Fort São João after only three months in the position. Boaventura, articulate spokesman for the hard-line and brother of Mines and Energy Minister Costa Cavalcanti, received a temporary assignment with the Brazilian Mission to the United Nations.

Comment. Boaventura's transfer, following closely upon last week's reassignments, indicates that the President is determined to disperse the nucleus of hard line officers in Rio. (LIMOPFUSE)

6. President Launches Literacy Campaign

President Costa e Silva on September 8 personally launched a national literacy campaign called "The Functional Literacy and Adult Continuing Education Program." The first phase of the two phase program will concentrate on the 11-29 age group and will be limited geographically to the capital and main cities of states and territories. This phase is designed to reach 11 million illiterates between 1968-1971 at a total cost equivalent to \$316 million. The second phase (1972-1976) is scheduled to reach the remaining 11 to 13 million illiterates of all ages and in all locations.

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