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GOULART TO SUPPORT OPPOSITION CANDIDATES

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[Text] Rio de Janeiro--Circles close to the opposition have revealed that former Brazilian President Joao Goulart, who is currently in exile in Uruguay, will issue a statement in the next few days asking his fellow party members to vote for opposition candidates in the 15 November municipal elections in several states.

The document allegedly is in the hands of former Dep Jose Vecchio, who met with Goulart recently. The sources also revealed that the statement raises the possibility of the former President's return to Brazil.

AIR FORCE GENERAL PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST

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[Text] Rio de Janeiro--Brig Itamar Rocha, who was dismissed from his post 2 months ago for charging that certain air force units consist of extreme rightists, has been punished for the third consecutive time with 2 days' house arrest.

Rocha, who had been air route director for the air force, touched off a crisis when he accused Brig J.C. Burnier, chief of the air force secret service, of having ordered the assassination of dozens of political opponents by means of the Air Force Paratroop Rescue Service (PARASAR).

According to newspaper reports published today, Rocha announced that he would demand that the civil courts punish Burnier, declare his objection to measures the government has adopted, and protest against the house arrests ordered by Air Minister Marshal Marcio de Souza e Mello.

The reports add that several air force officers who side with Rocha would sign the brief he will present to the courts. The newspaper reports also state that several air force officers are drawing up a declaration supporting Rocha and censuring Brigadier Burnier, who is known for having participated in the armed revolt against Kubitschek's government, claiming that it "favored communism."

According to the reports, several officers rejected Burnier's orders and quoted him as saying: "To kill well, one must have the taste of blood in one's mouth," when he ordered the mass murdering of oppositionists.

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COMMUNIST TERRORISTS--The search for the Communist Party's Chinese-Cuban red-line terrorists, that began on the night of 25 October in Rio de Janeiro with the arrest of three persons, will be extended to other states with the cooperation of the army. The search was requested by Guanabara State Security Secretary Gen Luis de Franca Oliveira. As explained by General Franca Oliveira, the object of the hunt is to establish a ring around the terrorists' general headquarters which is reportedly located in Victoria, capital of Espirito Santo state. The Carioca police on 25 October discovered three more deposits of arms and subversive materials in the Santa Teresa, Santissimo, and Copacabana districts. (Buenos Aires ANSA Spanish 1339 GMT 26 Oct 68 C) (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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