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third stage of the Paulo Afonso hydroelectric project on January 30 (EmbTel 1585).

The President characterized as an extraordinary achievement completion of the major part of the construction in less than a year by Brazilian engineers and workmen. He said that the veritable miracle of erecting thousands of ten-ton concrete towers to carry more than 2,000 tons of cable across the arid terrain of the area could have been accomplished in such a brief time only through the spirit of cooperation which united all concerned with the project.

Linking economic development to solution of the social problems of the region, the President said that in the history of Ceara, few events had held such promise for the future as the adequate supply of electric power now to be provided. New enterprises organized on the basis of power availability would, he predicted, provide remunerative employment for a population which wants to work but in the past has been denied the opportunity. The young and ambitious, he emphasized, must have the simple right to work and to participate in the development of the New Ceara. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Comment: The transmission line, said to be one of the longest in existence, was constructed by the Cia. Hidroelétrica do Vale do São Francisco (CHESF) with financial assistance of \$12 billion from Eletrobras and US\$7 million from USAID/Alliance for Progress funds. (UNCLASSIFIED)

9. Air Force Promotions

In promotions announced this week, Major Brigadier Casemiro Montenegro Filho was raised to Lt. Brigadier, Brigadier Salvador Uchoa Cavalcante went to Major Brigadier, and Major Brigadier Benedito Pericles Fleury, Director General of Health, was promoted to Lt. Brigadier, then to Air Marshal and retired. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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10. Ultima Hora Has New Director

Danton Jobim, former director of Diario Carioca and close friend of ex-Presidents Kubitschek and Goulart, this week was named Director-President of the Ultima Hora newspaper chain. The paper presently functions only in Rio and São Paulo. Warm telegrams of congratulations from Samuel Wainer, UH founder and now a political exile, and Kubitschek, were published. Jobim immediately started writing by-lined editorials as he used to do for Diario Carioca before the revolution. The first ones were skillful stinging attacks on alleged undemocratic methods on the part of the present government. (UNCLASSIFIED)