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## BIOGRAPHIC DATA

BRAZIL  
Gen Augusto FRAGOSO  
May 1968

(U) NAME: Gen Augusto Fragoso (frah-GOH-soh),  
Army.

(U) POSITION: Commandant, Superior War  
School, since Mar 1967.

(C) SIGNIFICANCE: An intelligent, and capable  
officer (can perform efficiently when necessary),  
he lacks drive and assurance, choosing the easy  
solution. Although he is loyal to the govern-  
ment and to the revolution, many hardline  
officers disapprove of his neutral stand prior  
to the Mar-Apr 1964 revolution and resent his  
promotion (by then President João Goulart) to  
Maj Gen ahead of more senior officers. He was  
a close personal friend of the late Marshal (Ret) Humberto Castello Branco  
(President from 1964-1967), with whom he served in the Brazilian Expedi-  
tionary Forces in Italy in World War II. He is being considered for the  
U.S. Legion of Merit (Officer).



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(C/NFD) POLITICS:

(C/NFD) International: He has a broad international outlook and is  
oriented toward the West. Generally friendly toward the United States,  
he was very cooperative with U.S. forces in Italy during World War II  
and was well liked during his tour as Assistant Military Attaché in the  
U.S. (1948-1950).

(C) Internal: A political moderate, he has no known political  
affiliation, and is reluctant to talk politics. He is very close to  
Marshal (Ret) Henrique Teixeira Lott (influential former Minister of War  
whose strongly legalistic orientation played a major role in frustrating  
efforts to exclude Juscelino Kubitschek and João Goulart from the Presidency).

(C) PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 26 Nov 1908 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

(U) Family: Wife, Idalina Fragoso (quiet and retiring). Children:  
two married daughters. A brother, Aloisio Fragoso, is a medical doctor.

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(C) Description: Average build (5'8", 180 lbs), receding black hair, brown eyes, olive complexion. Wears glasses with thick lenses that give him an owlsh look. Generally presents a neat appearance. Likeable and pleasant, but quiet, mild almost to the point of timidity, formal is manner; solemn, humorless; apt to resent imagined slights. Instellectual, enjoys reading history. Drinks only soft drinks. Will respond positively only if pressed.

(U) Languages: Native Portugese, fluent Spanish, fair English and French, limited Italian.

(U) Religion: Roman Catholic.

(U) Decorations: Recommended for U.S. Legion of Merit (Officer); U.S. Bronze Star (Feb 1948); Peruvian Military Order of Ayacucho (2d Class), Portuguese Medal of Military Merit (2d Class); Brazilian Combat Cross (2d Class), Campaign Medal, Order of Military Merit (Commander), Military Medal (Gold Clasp), War Medal, Peacemaker Medal, Marshal Hermes Medal (Gold with 2 Crowns); Inter-American Peace Force Medal.

(U) CIVIL EDUCATION: Primary and secondary in Rio de Janeiro.

(U) CAREER:

1926-1929 - Cadet, Military Academy, Realengo. Appointed Probationary 2d Lt in Engineers, 19 Jan 1929; promoted to 2d Lt, 25 Jul 1929.  
1931 - Promoted to 1st Lt, 19 Feb 1931.  
? - Student, Signal School.  
1934 - Promoted to Capt, 2 Oct 1934.  
? - Student, Advanced Course, School of Arms.  
1942 - Promoted to Maj, 25 Aug 1942.  
? - Student, Army Command and General Staff School.  
1943 - Instructor, Army Command and General Staff School.  
1944 - 5th Combat Engineer Battalion, Ponto União, Santa Catarina.  
1944 - Student, U.S. Army Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va.  
1944-1945 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Supply and later for Operations, Brazilian Expeditionary Force in Italy until Jul 1945. Promoted to Lt Col, 25 Dec 1944.  
1945 - Assigned to Army General Staff.  
1946-1948 - Instructor, Army Command and General Staff School.

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- 1948-1950 - Assistant Military Attaché in U.S., 6 Feb 1948-3 Jan 1950; acting Military Attaché, 5 Jan-28 Feb 1949. Concurrently, Staff Officer, Joint Brazil-United States Defense Commission, and Delegate, Inter-American Defense Board.
- 1952 - Executive Officer, Directorate General of Engineering and Communications, Army General Staff. Promoted to Col, 25 Sep 1952.
- ? - Student, Superior War Course, Superior War School.
- 1954 - Assistant, Department of Studies, Superior War School.
- 1954 - Chief, 2d Department (Intelligence), Gabinete (executive office) of the Minister of War.
- 1956-1958 - Commander, 2d Highway Battalion, Lages, Santa Catarina.
- 1958-1960? - Assigned to Army General Staff. Promoted to Brig Gen, 25 Nov 1959.
- 1960-1961 - Commander, 1st Construction Engineering Groupment.
- 1961 - Deputy Director of Reserves, Army General Staff.
- 1963-1964 - Director General of Training. Promoted to Maj Gen, 25 Mar 1964.
- 1964-1965 - Commander, 3d Military Region, Pôrta Alegre, Apr 1964-Jul 1965.
- 1965 - Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, Jul-Nov 1965.
- 1965-1967 - Director General of Training, Army General Staff, Nov 1965-Mar 1967. Promoted to Gen, Dec 1966.
- 1967-Present - Commandant, Superior War School, from Mar 1967. Orientation tour of U.S. with school group, 16 Aug-9 Sep 1967.

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