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15. SUMMARY:

(U) This report forwards biographical information on Captain Geraldo Sylvio CRAVO Guimaraes, Logistics/Materiel Advisor to the Navy Minister. Captain CRAVO is a USNA graduate, class of '51 and well acquainted with the U.S. Navy. He accompanied Navy Minister ADALBERTO on his visit to Washington, D.C., during 2 to 4 August 1972.

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- 2 Enclosures
1. (U) DD Form 1396-1 on Captain CRAVO, 1 cy, 3 pp.
2. (C/NFD) DD Form 1396-1s on Captain CRAVO, 1 cy, 2 pp.
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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. COUNTRY BRAZIL		2. DATE OF INFORMATION (Yr, mo, day) 72 August 01		3. DATE OF REPORT (Yr, mo, day) 72 August 02	
4. NAME a. FULL NAME (Give full name in Roman letters, in natural order, and with natural capitalization. Underline surname, or, if known by name(s) other than surname, underline same. Give phonetic pronunciation of name as appropriate). Geraldo Sylvio Cravo Guimarães					
b. NAME OR NAMES BY WHICH INDIVIDUAL PREFERS TO BE ADDRESSED (1) IN OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE: Comandante Cravo (2) ORALLY AT OFFICIAL GATHERINGS: Comandante Cravo					
5. FULL NAME IN NATIVE ALPHABET Geraldo Sylvio Cravo Guimarães					
6. VARIANTS, ALIASES, OR NICKNAMES None					
7. POSITION a. PRESENT POSITION Materiel and Logistics Advisor, Navy Minister's Staff				b. DATE ASSUMED POSITION (Year, month, day) 72 February 22	
c. RANK/TITLE (In English and Native language) Captain, Capitão de Mar e Guerra				d. DATE OF RANK (Yr, mo, day) 70 June 8	
e. SERVICE Navy			f. BRANCH OF SERVICE Line		
8. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH (Town, State, Province, Country) 1929 January 21, Pernambuco State, Brazil					9. SEX Male
10. PRESENT ADDRESS (Including unit location if applicable) SQS 111, Bloco "J", Apt. 603, Brasília, Brazil				TELEPHONE NO 42-1591	
11. NATIONALITY Brazilian		12. RACE Caucasian		13. PHOTO SUBMITTED ☒ YES ☐ NO	
14. CITIZENSHIP (Indicate dual citizenship where applicable) Brazilian				15. RELIGION ☐ PRACTICING ☒ NONPRACTICING	
16. TITLES AND HONORIFICS (Prince, Doctor, Pandit, etc.) None				17. MARITAL STATUS ☒ MARRIED ☐ SINGLE ☐ DIVORCED ☐ WIDOWED	
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION					
18. AGE 43		19. BEARD ☐ YES ☒ NO		20. TEETH (Natural) ☒ YES ☐ NO	
21. PROMINENT OR UNUSUAL FEATURES (Moles, scars, birthmarks, etc.) None					
22. COLOR EYES Hazel		23. COLOR HAIR Brown		24. BALD ☐ YES ☒ NO	
25. HEIGHT 5' 9"		26. WEIGHT 150 lbs.		27. BUILD (Small, medium, large) Medium	
28. POSTURE Erect		29. ☒ RIGHT HANDED ☐ LEFT HANDED		30. PHYSICAL DEFECTS None	
31. GENERAL STATE OF HEALTH Excellent		32. GLASSES ☐ YES ☒ NO		33. HARD OF HEARING ☐ YES ☒ NO	
PERSONAL BACKGROUND					
34. CIVIL EDUCATION (List schools, location(s), major course, degree(s), honors, and inclusive dates (Year, month, day). Standard Brazilian primary and secondary schooling.					
35. LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (Include dialects, degree of fluency, and ability to act as translator/interpreter). Portuguese - Native tongue English - Linguist Spanish - Fair					
36. TRAVEL (List countries, dates, and purpose). USA - 1947 to 1951 attended the U.S. Naval Academy 1968 to 1969 attended the Naval Command Course at U.S. Naval War College 2 to 4 August 1972 accompanied Navy Minister during official visit to Washington, D.C.					

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37. MILITARY SERVICE (a. List military career in chronological order. Include: Military schooling; promotions; demotions; reserve service; units served with and position held; location of school or unit; retired or reserve status.)
(b. List awards and decorations together with circumstances surrounding any unusual award/decoration.)

a. Military Career

1946 - 1947	- First year at Brazilian Naval Academy
1947 - 1951	- U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.
23 May 1951	- Promoted to Midshipman
27 Jun 51 to 17 Jun 55	- CL TAMANDARÉ
18 Feb 1952	- Promoted to Ensign
16 Nov 1953	- Promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade
17 Jun 55 to 31 Oct 56	- Admiral Wandenkolk Training Center, Rio de Janeiro
3 Aug 1955	- Promoted to Lieutenant
31 Oct 56 to 22 Oct 57	- Naval General Staff
31 Oct 57 to 25 Oct 58	- CL TAMANDARÉ
25 Oct 58 to 6 Dec 60	- Brazilian Naval Academy
20 Aug 1960	- Promoted to Lieutenant Commander (for merit)
6 Dec 60 to 2 Feb 62	- Directorate of Hydrography and Navigation
2 Feb 62 to 22 May 62	- Directorate of Communications and Electronics
22 May 62 to 28 Mar 63	- Naval Repair Ship BEIMONTÉ
5 Nov 63 to 19 Aug 64	- Aide to Fleet Commander in Chief
19 Aug 64 to Mar 67	- Directorate of Communications and Electronics
9 May 1966	- Promoted to Commander (for merit)
17 Apr 67 to 26 Dec 67	- Command and Staff Course, Brazilian Naval War College
26 Dec 67 to 31 Jul 68	- Brazilian Navy's Naval Construction Commission
Aug 68 to Jun 69	- Naval Command Course, U.S. Naval War College
30 Jul 69 to 8 May 70	- XO, CVS MINAS GERAIS
8 Jun 1970	- Promoted to Captain (for merit)
8 May 70 to 21 Feb 72	- Chief of Staff, Third Naval District (Recife)
22 Feb 72 to present	- Logistics/Materiel Advisor, Naval Minister's Staff

OTHER MILITARY COURSES: ABC Warfare and Damage Control School, Naval Base, Norfolk, Va.
Electronic Specialization Course
Superior Course, Brazilian Naval War College (correspondence)

b. Awards

TAMANDARÉ Merit Medal
Silver Military Medal
Naval Order of Merit (in rank of Officer)

38. EMPLOYMENT OTHER THAN MILITARY SERVICE (List employers, positions, skills, locations, and inclusive dates (Year, month, day).)

None

39. MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS (Professional, social, military, other; give inclusive dates (Year, month, day).)

Unknown

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40. U.S. ACQUAINTANCES AND RELATIVES (Name, position or occupation of relatives, domicile, nature and duration of relationship. Include U.S. military or other U.S. official acquaintances/relatives under this item.)

As a USNA Class of '51 member, he has numerous acquaintances in the officer corps of the U.S. Navy.

41. PREFERENCES (Personal preference in food, drink, tobacco, entertainment, sports, hobbies.)

Smokes cigarettes and drinks occasional Scotch and water. Was a member of the USNA Soccer Team. Now plays tennis.

42. PUBLISHED WORKS (Title of article or book; if article, name of publication appearing in, date published, publisher.)

Unknown

SPOUSE - FAMILY

43. FULL NAME OF SPOUSE

Maria Helena Cravo Guimarães

44. MAIDEN NAME OF SPOUSE

Unknown

45. DATE (Year, month, day) AND PLACE OF BIRTH

Unknown

46. NATIONALITY (Indicate dual citizenship where applicable)

Brazilian

47. RACE

Caucasian

48. RELIGION Catholic

Unk ☐ PRACTICING
☐ NONPRACTICING

49. BACKGROUND (Education; languages; preference in food and drink; hobbies; preference in entertainment; special interests; professional societies.)

Unknown

50. CHILDREN (Names, sex, ages, marital status, other items of interest such as schools, health, military service.)

Two boys and one girl, names and ages unknown.

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51. POLICE RECORD (Other than minor violations). None		
52. RELIGION - Effect of subject's religion or religious connections on his actions, military advancement, political views, etc. A nominal Roman Catholic.		
53. ACQUAINTANCES AND RELATIVES - Apparent influence of acquaintances and relatives on subject's views or career. Closely associated with Navy Minister ALBERTO for approximately ten years.		
54. CHARACTER - Subject's character, strengths and weaknesses, intelligence, loyalty, judgment, ability to communicate, leadership ability, and influence. Significance of individual in shaping international policies of his country. A highly intelligent, witty and somewhat cocky individual. The only active duty Brazilian Naval Officer to have attended the U.S. Naval Academy, he is perhaps the best versed officer on the U.S. Navy. As such, he is strongly relied upon by the Navy Minister in regard to contacts with the U.S. Navy. Although he has never had command of a ship, he appears to have good leadership abilities, and should be given a major command upon completion of his current tour.		
55. POLITICAL ORIENTATION - Attitude towards United States and other countries. Remarks and actions of subject toward representatives of the United States and its allies, and toward representatives of nonaligned nations and Communist bloc nationals. Political activities and attitudes, important political contacts, party affiliations, potential political influence in country in the event of a change in government. Knows the U.S. and the U.S. Navy well as a result of having spent over five years in U.S. Navy schools (USNA, Naval War College, Fleet Training Center NorVa). Although he is the Minister's prime advisor on matters involving the U.S. Navy, he endeavors to not project a pro-U.S. image. Thus, he tends to be rather nationalistic as if in compensation for his strongly U.S. oriented background.		

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56. PERSONAL APPEARANCE - Appraisal of subject's dress, personal habits, mannerisms, eccentricities, peculiarities of speech and gait, prominent or unusual physical features, e.g., teeth, eyes, shape of face, complexion, tendency toward balding, etc.

Very smart military appearance. A bushy mustache dominates his face. He is lean and athletic looking, and appears to be in a good state of physical fitness.

57. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SPOUSE - Spouse's political views, appearance, personality, attitude toward United States and other countries, influence on husband. Spouse's family connections influencing the husband's career.

Unknown

58. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

a. Length of time collector has known subject and frequency of contact(s). Indicate how much of the information is based on the collector's own observation. Indicate other sources for information on subject.

I have known Captain CRAVO for five months and have met with him about a dozen times over this period. The majority of the comments are based on personal observation, and the remainder were supplied by his fellow staff officers.

b. Best ways of gaining subject's confidence and exerting influence on him.

Forthright approach, with perhaps a little flattery on his excellent English, and demonstration of amazement on the depth of his knowledge of the U.S. Navy.

c. Military reputation, competence, and significance. Include financial status, dependence on personal or political connections for military position. Reputation in own service, collector's own assessment of military competence, and military and/or political potential of subject.

Enjoys a good military reputation as a capable intelligence officer on the rise. His association with Navy Minister ADALBERTO has served him well over the years. He could be hurt by an anti-U.S. turn in Brazilian politics because of his U.S. oriented background, but he is even capable of overcoming this by being a strong "Brazil First" advocate.

I consider Captain CRAVO, a sharp and somewhat crafty officer that will rise to the top in the Brazilian Navy.

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