

Bn Orient Tour

c. MILTON Barbosa Guimaraes (MGEN, Army)

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Maj Gen Milton is a cavalryman who appeared to display more attributes of a commander than a staff officer. He is a forceful person, who is very jealous of his prerogatives and hastened to point out the fact that as a member of the college staff, he should be given precedence over VAdm Duque. I heard several comments to the effect that Milton, although somewhat of a "bull in the china closet" type, could be destined for higher command because of his effectiveness in command positions. At the beginning of the trip I considered him a rather cold person, but he became very friendly during later stages of the trip. He instigated a small ceremony in which he and several other Army members of the tour named me an honorary member of the Brazilian Army. I think he is a friend of the US, but he definitely places Brazil's interests first and regards the Army as being far more important to Brazil's future than the Navy or the Air Force.

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