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BRAZNAV FLAG RETIREMENT REQUESTS

1. THE FOLLOWING BRAZILIAN ADMIRALS REQUESTED RETIREMENT TODAY.
READ IN TWO COLUMNS NAME/POSITION:

ADM ARNALDO TOSCANO - CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE NAVY (CNO).

VADM JULIO XAVIER DE ARAUJO E SILVA - VICE CHIEF OF STAFF (DEPUTY TO
ADM TOSCANO).

RADM MILTON MENDES COUTINHO MARQUES - STAFF, NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE.
RADM ALDO PESSOA REBELLO - UNASSIGNED

2. (U) RADM NORTON DEMARIA BOITEUX AND RADM OSMAR ALMEIDA DE
AZEREDO RODRIGUES WERE RETIRED TO RESERVA REMUNERADA BY PRESIDENTIAL
DECREE IN JUL.

3. COMMENT: C/NFD A NUMBER OF RETIREMENTS ANTICIPATED PRIOR TO
1 AUG IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOMBSTONE PROMOTION WITH PAY.
ADM TOSCANO RETIRING A SURPRISE. HE STATES FACTORS INVOLVED IN
DECISION WERE (1) NORMALLY CNO JOB IS ONLY FOR ONE AND ONE-HALF
TO TWO YEARS (ASSUMED POST 2 FEB 65), (2) HE DID NOT DESIRE TO STEP
DOWN TO A LESSER JOB (3) WITH CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT NEXT MARCH THE
NEW PRESIDENT WILL WANT TO PLACE HIS OWN SELECTION IN POSITION OF
POWER, (4) BY RETIRING NOW HE WILL BE PROMOTED TO FLEET ADMIRAL
AND RECEIVE CORRESPONDING RETIREMENT PAY. THE RETIREMENT REQUESTS
IN PARA 1 ARE NOT PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE. ONLY ADM TOSCANO'S REQUEST HAS
BEEN PERSONALL CONFIRMED. IT IS LIKELY THAT OTHER RETIREMENTS

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REQUESTS WERE MADE AND WILL BE REPORTED ON AS INFORMATION BECOMES
AVAILABLE. AT THIS TIME BEST GUESS FOR TOSCANO'S REPLACEMENT IS
ADM SYLVIO M
NEIRO MOUTINHO (PRESENTLY SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE
NAVY).

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