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PARIS PRIORITY FOR AMBASSADOR TREZISE

1. MINISTER PAULO EGYDIO MARTINS MAY VISIT ADDRESSES
MISSIONS DURING TRIP DESCRIBED REF 1. REQUEST POSTS REPORT
ON DISCUSSIONS YOU MAY HAVE WITH MARTINS TO ASSIST DEPT
IN PREPARING FOR HIS WASHINGTON VISIT FEB 8 TO 10 (CF

2. MARTINS REPORTED SOON TO LEAVE BRAZIL CABINET BUT
CONSIDERED A COMER IN BRAZIL POLITICS. HE IS 38
YOUNGEST MINISTER IN CASTELLO BRANCO CABINET, ENERGETIC
SAO PAULO BUSINESSMAN, ENGINEER, SKILLED POLITICIAN;
A MIDDLE OF ROADER, HE SAYS OPPOSES TOTALITARISM RIGHT
OJZLEFT. WAS DESCRIBED AS "AUTHENTIC REVOLUTIONARY"
BECAUSE EARLY PARTICIPATED IN OUSTER OF PRESIDENT
GOULART. NEVER FORMALLY JOINED PARTY BUT CLOSELY ASSOC
WITH FORMER UDN (CONSERVATIVE PARTY) MEMBERS, ENJOYED
UDN AND VARIOUS CIVIC AND DEMOCRAZUC GROUPS' SUPPORT IN
MARCH 1965 RACE FOR MAYOR OF SAO PAULO BUT RAN
FIFTH WITH 8 PER CENT OF VOTE DUE TO PARTICIPATION
OF OLDGATIME POLITICIANS IN CAMPAIGN. RECENTLY AFFILIATED
WITH NATIONAL RENEWAL ALLIANCE (ARENA).

3. BORN 1928 SAO PAULO; ATTENDED BRAZIL UNIV. WHERE TWICE
(1948-50) SERVED AS HRESIDENT OF METROPOLITAN UNIMV

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OF STUDENTS; ALSO SECRETARY NATL UNION OF STUDENTS (UNE) AND ESPECIALLY REMEMBERED FOR BRINGING ABOUT RUPTURE OF UNE WITH THE COMMUNIST STUDENT FRONT- THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT UNION HEADQUARTERED IN PRAGUE. WHILE IN STUDENT POLITICS MARTINS ATTENDED MEETINGS IN US, FRANCE, AND ITALY.

4. MARTINS WAS ENGINEER ON CONSTRUCTION CENTRAL RR OF PARANA, VARIOUS OTHER PUBLIC PROJECTS; MARRIED Lyla BYINGTON, DAUGHTER PROMINENT BUSINESS FAMILY BECAME A DIRECTOR OF SEVERAL BYINGTON GROUP FIRMS. CLOSELY ASSOC WITH SOME US FIRMS - WAS PRESIDENT OF BRAZILIAN BAUXITE (WHOLLY OWNED BY ALCOA) UNTIL CABINET APPOINTMENT, TECHNICAL DIRECTOR GENERAL MINING CO. MARTINS ALSO VERY ACTIVE IN BUSINESS AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS; IS DIRECTOR OF COMMERCIAL ASSOC OF SAO PAULO, PRES. OF CHRISTIAN BUSINESSMENS ASSOC. AND DIRECTOR OF CRUSADE FOR CHILDREN.
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