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1. Embassy informed September 13 that congressional observers on Brazil to forthcoming UNCA will be Senator Gilberto Marinho and Deputy Rondon Pacheco. Apparently only these two will attend, contrary to earlier expectations. Biographic data follow.

2. Senator Gilberto Marinho is member of PSD (Social Democratic Party) from state of Guanabara, which is city of Rio de Janeiro. He is 57 years old, originally from state of Rio Grande do Sul, active collaborator of ex-president Getulio Vargas from 1930 on, and over years has held various important posts in federal government. By training he both engineer and lawyer. Has represented Guanabara in Senate since 1958 and has travelled around world extensively, mostly in connection with interparliamentary conferences. Since installation Castello Branco administration April 1964, he has reportedly voted with new regime on all important issues.

3. Deputy Rondon Pacheco is member of UDN party (National Democratic Union). Forty-six years old, born and brought up in state of Minas Gerais. In 1943 he graduated from law school and has been active in either state or federal politics ever since. Has had seat in Chamber of Deputies since 1954, at

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present holds important post of deputy government leader in that house, and is widely respected member of national legislature. In 1960 he travelled to US on leader grant, understands some English but speaks little. Pacheco is most favorably known to Embassy both in Rio and Brasilia and is well disposed toward US. His wife will accompany him for part of stay in New York.

4. Embassy understands Pacheco will leave shortly after October 3 and plans to return around Christmas. Senator Marinho's travel plans not known.

5. Foregoing transmitted as draft tel or airmail which you may wish forward Dept with any additions you think necessary. You may particular wish provide some evaluation of Senator Marinho, who not known well to anyone personally at this end of line.

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