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FROM : Amconsul SAO PAULO

DATE: April 22, 1966

SUBJECT: São Paulo Cost of Living Index - March 1966

REF : CERP D-10

1. Listed below is the Cost of Living Index of the city of São Paulo for the month of March 1966. These figures are released by the Division of Statistics and Social Documentation, Department of Culture of the Prefecture of the Municipality of São Paulo.

ITEM	INDEX
Food	11,170
Housing	6,788
Clothing	7,330
Fuel	10,549
Medical Care	7,425
Smoking Items	13,683
Household Cleaning Supplies	8,854
Furniture	10,215
Transportation	15,107
Miscellaneous	9,468

Weighted Average 9,651
(Base 1951 equals 100)

2. The March 1966 weighted average indicates an increase of 3.6 percent over the February 1966 average, as compared with a 4.7 percent increase in March 1965. Cost of living increased by 44 percent between March 1965 and March 1966

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as compared with 77.9 percent in the preceding twelve months. Increase in the first three months of 1966 totals 16.6 percent as compared with 16.5 percent for the corresponding period in 1965.

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