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Dec 27 Baltimore Sun carried Nathan Miller article which attributed to ranking Embassy officer statement that neither Embassy nor Brazilian desk aware of Presidential exchange of letters prior to release. Furthermore, article implies speculation in Embassy and other circles that ~~XXXXXX~~ Presidential letter particularly absence reference to inflation reflects relaxation US posture. It suggests that assistance will be forthcoming from US regardless Brazilian internal economic policies in order maintain quiescence until after US Presidential elections.

This article has not yet caused any widespread inquiries but may be picked up in Brazil and subsequently attract attention here. ~~XXXXX

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Note: Relayed White House per SS/O

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