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1. Paulo Silveira da Motta was relieved from command of the Sao Paulo Political Police (Delegacia Auxiliar da 5a Divisao Policial) on 12 August 1947. His removal resulted from friction with the Secretary of Public Security, Flodoardo Maia, arising out of Motta's refusal to falsify or suppress evidence concerning the disorders of 1 August. It is reported that during these disorders Maia had assumed the responsibility of ordering his police not to interfere with the destruction or rioting, and that when the police finally did act, it was not to protect property but to defend their own lives. Governor De Barros and Secretary Maia had declared that conservative opposition elements were responsible for the outbreak, while Motta stated that the testimony of his subordinates and the evidence obtained clearly showed the Communists to have been the principal perpetrators of the destruction. With Motta went his Chief of Secret Service, Ruy Tavares Monteiro, and the rest of his assistants.
2. Motta's character has never been highly regarded by most of his colleagues of the Sao Paulo career police. His abilities are regarded as mediocre, and in his hands the Political Police appeared to be losing a good deal of the drive and reliability that had characterized them in the past.
3. Delduque Garcia Ribeiro was appointed to succeed Motta and assumed charge on 14 August. Delduque is rated one of the most capable and honest officers of the Sao Paulo Police. He is energetic, courageous, devoid of local political entanglements, and very friendly to the United States.
4. To subordinate positions in his organization Delduque has appointed the following among others:
  - a. Adhemar Pain Pinto - Chief of Secret Service. Pain Pinto has spent several years in political police work, including one (1944-1945) in the position to which he has just been appointed. He is intelligent and imaginative, although something of a bohemian. He allows his subordinates to work unhindered. He has already reappointed Apolonio and Marques and the other experienced detectives of the Communist section who were dropped by Motta when he took office in April 1947.

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- b. Elpidio Reali - Delegado de Ordem Poltica (Delegate of Political Order). Reali is one of the stars of the Sao Paulo Police and has been in the political service during most of his career. Until his present assignment he has been Delegado de Ordem Poltica in Santos. It was Reali who handled the Christensen espionage case so brilliantly in 1942.
- c. Eduardo Lousada Rocha - Delegado de Ordem Social (Delegate of Social Order). Lousada is another old political police specialist who was Chief of Secret Service in 1943. He is unusually intelligent, resourceful, and energetic and is rated one of the best of the younger police officers. He is studious, devotes most of his waking hours to his duties, and is believed to be specially suited to handling the police angle of current social problems.

5. The team of Delduque, Paim, Reali, and Lousada is considered to be one of the strongest that could be mustered from the career personnel of the Sao Paulo Police. The uncertainty that still pervades the Governor's political ambitions, plans, and alliances is enough to cause apprehension in any officer charged with heavy police responsibilities; nevertheless, all have undertaken their task with resolution and are pressing to reorganize the service into an efficient unit.

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