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(b)(3)1. ON 3 APRIL 1964 VASCO LEITAO DA CUNHA. FORMER BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR TOMOSCOW AND AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO PORTUGAL. WAS APPROACHED BY SAO PAULO STATE GOVERNOR ADHEMER DE BARROS AND OFFERED THE POST OF FOREIGN MINISTER IN THE NEW BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT. 2. LEITAO DA CUNHA SAID HE WOULD ACCEPT THE POSITION IF HE COULD BE ASSURED THAT AMILITARY MAN WOULD REPLACE RAINIERI MAZZILI AS PRESIDENT OF BRAZIL IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. COMMENT: ON 4 APRIL THE LOCAL PRESS ANNOUNCED THAT LEITAO DA CUNHA HAD BEEN NAMED NEW FOREIGN MINISTER. LEITAO DA CUNHA'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE CABINET POST LENDS CREDENCE TO CURRENT REPORTS THAT MILITARY MAN WILL ASSUME THE PRESIDENCY OF BRAZIL IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.) 3. DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR FBI CINCSO (b)(3)

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