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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BUNDY SUBJECT: Brazil

We are still waiting for a transcript of the 3:30 telecon. Bob Adams, who heard the telecon, gave me the following information:

- 1. Ambassador Gordon said that is "95% over." Branco has taken over Rio. He has told us that he doesn't need our help.
- There are conflicting reports about Goulart's whereabouts. Some say that he is holed up in Brasilia trying to work out a compromise solution; this is not very likely to come to anything because, so far, both sides are too far committed. Others report that he has resigned and is in Brasilia. Still others say that he has resigned and has fled the country.

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- 4. We have reasonably firm reports that Mazilli, in the absence of the President, has announced that he is ready to step in as the temporary leader. This would be for a period of 30 days, while the Congress elects another "pro tem." This will probably be Ducha, who would run the country until the elections in 1965.
- Bob says there will be another report from Ambassador Gordon at 8 P. M.

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By MS , NARA, Date 11-6-03