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ACTION: SECSTATE WASHDC

INFO : AMEMBASSY RIO DE JANEIRO

BRASILIA 3089

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REF: Brasilia 3088

SUBJ: University Brasilia Incident

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1. At meeting Sept 3 President Costa e Silva a) re-affirmed confidence University Brasilia Rector Caio Benjamin Dias, b) regretted incident and expressed hope such incidents are not repeated, c) appointed SNI Chief Gen. Medici investigate, d) asked Rector to "normalize" University promptly.

2. Sixty-three ARENA congressmen signed Sept. 3 note criticizing violence. at University.

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3. Comment: Costa e Silva's position is rebuke to federal police which in official note charged Caio with coddling student subversives. Although President's position will not please police and some elements military, it should keep onus of incident from falling on him. It puts off for moment question who in government responsible for operation and possible punishment responsible official(s). (MinJustice Gama e Silva has denied prior knowledge of operation.) President Chile's visit will temporarily help shift attention from event but criticism and protests expected continue.

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