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SUBJECT: LATIN AMERICA BRIEF [REDACTED] FOR 10 JUNE 1993.

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1. HAITI: HAGGLING OVER NEW GOVERNMENT [REDACTED]

THE DEBATE OVER HOW TO FORM A NEW GOVERNMENT IS INTENSIFYING, ALTHOUGH THE MILITARY WILL CONTINUE TO CALL THE SHOTS. [REDACTED] ONE GROUP OF LEGISLATORS IS PROPOSING SUPREME COURT CHIEF JONASSAINT AS INTERIM PRESIDENT, A PLAN ARMY CHIEF CEDRAS WOULD SUPPORT IN EXCHANGE FOR A GENERAL AMNESTY FOR THE MILITARY AND A VOICE IN SELECTING AN INTERIM PRIME MINISTER. THE PROPOSAL ALSO WOULD INCLUDE LEGISLATIVE RECOGNITION OF OUSTED PRESIDENT ARISTIDE AND THE FORMATION OF A NATIONAL COUNCIL TO BEGIN INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS AND TO SET A DATE FOR ARISTIDE'S RETURN TO HAITI; A NEW PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WOULD BE HELD, HOWEVER, IF THE COUNCIL WERE UNABLE TO AGREE ON SUCH A DATE OR IF ARISTIDE REFUSED TO COOPERATE. [REDACTED]

COMMENT: CEDRAS AND THE HIGH COMMAND RECOGNIZE THAT THE LEGISLATURE MUST TAKE THE LEAD IN FORMING A NEW GOVERNMENT IF THEY HOPE TO PORTRAY IT AS LEGITIMATE. NEVERTHELESS, THEY REMAIN STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ARISTIDE'S RETURN AND WILL INSIST ON A NEW GOVERNMENT THEY CAN CONTROL. CEDRAS'S SUPPORT FOR THE PLAN ALMOST CERTAINLY IS BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT ARISTIDE WILL REFUSE TO COOPERATE AND THAT A NEW PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WOULD ULTIMATELY BE HELD. CEDRAS AND OTHERS IN THE MILITARY AND LEGISLATURE PROBABLY HOPE THE

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INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD ACCEPT A NEW ELECTION AS A MEANS OF
RESOLVING THE CRISIS WITHOUT ARISTIDE. [REDACTED]

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