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COUNTRY: (U) ARGENTINA (AR)

SUBJECT: (U) ARGARM BG HERIBERTO JUSTO

((AUDEL)) RETIRED. (U)

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SOURCE: (U) A. //OPEN// LA NACION CONSERVATIVE LOCAL NEWSPAPER. 11 FEB 88, P. 1

- B. //OPEN// CLARIN, LEADING INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER. 11 FEB 88 P. 12.

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SUMMARY: (U) JCS CHIEF OF OPERATIONS BG HERIBERTO ((AUEL)) WAS PLACED ON THE RETIREMENT LIST BY MOD JAUNARENA UPON RECOMMENDATION OF C OF S MG CARIDI ON 880210.

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TEXT: 1. (U) ON 880210, ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF MG JOSE SEGUNDO DANTE ((CARIDI)) CALLED A MEETING AT 0800 HRS WITH CHIEF OF OPERATIONS OF THE ARGENTINE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF BG HERIBERTO JUSTO ((AUEL)). ACCORDING TO SOURCE A, CARIDI INFORMED AUEL THAT HE WAS NOT TO ATTEND THE ARMY GENERAL'S MEETING ON 11 FEB 88 AND ASKED FOR HIS RETIREMENT. AUEL REFUSED AND LEFT.

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2. (U) ACCORDING TO SOURCE B, CARIDI MET WITH DEFENSE MINISTER (MOD) JOSE HORACIO ((JAUNARENA)) IN THE AFTERNOON OF 10 FEB 88. THE MOD APPROVED AUEL BEING PLACED ON HE RETIREMENT LIST.

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3. (U) AUEL REFUSED TO COMMENT PUBLICLY BUT WAS QUOTED TO HAVE SAID THAT THE ARMY WAS BECOMING ANARCHIAL AND DANGEROUS.

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2. ~~(CONF)~~ THIS EVENT WILL HAVE SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS WITHIN THE ARGARM. CARIDI FIRED BG FAUSTO MARCELO ((GONZALEZ)) IN JUL 1987 (CITE (b)(3):10 USC 424) DTG 141935Z JUL 87) AND NOW AUEL. BOTH ARE HIGHLY RESPECTED OFFICERS AND CONSIDERED THE TWO KEY INFANTRY LEADERS BY MIDDLE GRADE OFFICERS. THE NEXT INFANTRY OFFICER WHO COMMANDS RESPECT IS NOW

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COLONEL MOHAMED ALI ((SEINELDIN)).

3. ~~(CONF)~~ A SECOND ASPECT OF THIS EVENT IS NOW A BRANCH CONFLICT. THE INFANTRY CAVALRY RIVALRY FOR DOMINANCE PLACES CAVALRY IN THE HGST ADVANTAGE FOR BEING THE BRANCH TO PROVIDE THE SUCCESSOR TO CARIDI. HOWEVER, THE STATUS OF SEINELDIN IS NOW RAISED AMONG MIDDLE GRADES. MORE WILL COME OUT ON THE CARIDI-AUEL CONFLICT.

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