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SERIAL: (U) IIR (b)(3):10 USC 424

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BODY

COUNTRY: (U) **ARGENTINA (AR).**

SUBJ: IIR (b)(3):10 USC 424 /NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT
STAFF ANNOUNCED (U)

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- DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DO I: (U) 920825.

REQS: (U) (b)(3):10 USC 424

(b)(1);1.4 (c)

B. (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "CLARIN", BUENOS AIRES,
ARGENTINA, 920825 (U), IN SPANISH. THE LEADING
INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER.

C. (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "LA NACION", BUENOS AIRES,
ARGENTINA, 920825 (U), IN SPANISH. CONSIDERED
MODERATE.

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D. (U) DAILY NEWSPAPER, "PAGINA 12", BUNEOS AIRES,
ARGENTINA, 920825 (U), IN SPANISH. A LEFT WING LIBERAL
VIEW PAPER, GENERALLY ANTI-GOVT, CONSIDERED INFLUENTIAL
ESPECIALLY AMONG THE YOUNG EDUCATED.

SUMMARY: (C) THE ARGENTINE GOVT HAS ANNOUNCED THAT
BRIG ANTONIETTI, ARGAF, WILL BECOME THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF

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THE JOINT STAFF BEGINNING 920831. HIS APPOINTMENT SHOULD NOT GENERATE IMMEDIATE CHANGES IN OTHER SENIOR LEADERSHIP POSITIONS WITHIN THE ARMED FORCES.

TEXT: 1. ~~(C)~~ PRESIDENT CARLOS ((MENEM)) HAS APPOINTED BRIGADIER ANDRES ((ANTONIETTI)), ARGENTINE AIR FORCE, AS THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT STAFF OF THE ARGENTINE ARMED FORCES. BRIGADIER ANTONIETTI, WHO IS CURRENTLY THE MILITARY CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLD, WILL REPLACE ADMIRAL EMILIO JOSE ((OSSES)) AT A CEREMONY PRESIDED OVER BY PRESIDENT MENEM TO BE HELD 920831. ADMIRAL OSSES IS RETIRING.

2. ~~(C)~~ PRESIDENT MENEM PUT AN END TO SEVERAL WEEKS OF SPECULATION AND RUMORS BY UNILATERALLY MAKING THE DECISION TO APPOINT ANTONIETTI. (b)(1);1.4 (c)

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5. ~~(C)~~ ANTONIETTI WILL BE PROMOTED TO BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE HIGHEST AIR FORCE RANK AND EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF THE ARGAF CHIEF OF STAFF, BRIGADIER GENERAL JOSE ANTONIO ((JULIA)), PRIOR TO THE 31 AUGUST CEREMONY APPOINTING HIM CHAIRMAN.

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(b)(1);Sec. 1.4(c)

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