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LABOR DISCONTENT RISING.

~~(S, NOFORN)~~ President Isabel Peron may be losing the backing of labor's leadership, her strongest source of support. As a result, workers will probably not protest should the military decide to oust her.

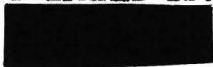
~~(S, NOFORN)~~ Important factors leading to a possible break in support are the increasing pressure of inflation and the impression that Mrs. Peron is ignoring the workers and listening instead to her own advisers. In labor's view, recent presidential actions have been prejudicial to its interests, including the new Cabinet appointments to the Labor and Economy portfolios. A rumor is circulating in Buenos Aires that the President has blamed corrupt and self-seeking labor leaders for many of Argentina's problems.

~~(S, NOFORN)~~ On 9 February, a labor summit was held to decide future relations with President Peron. The results of the meeting are not yet known, but some labor officials have recently approached US representatives to ask about Washington's potential reaction to a military takeover. The officials say workers would give only token resistance to such a move.

~~(S, NOFORN)~~ Some small concession to labor might temporarily reverse the downward trend in the leadership's relations with Mrs. Peron. Nevertheless, the time when the Argentine military feel they have a mandate for action is drawing ever nearer.
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