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## ARGENTINA

PRESIDENT PERON ADJOURNS CONGRESS.

(C/NOFORN) President Peron has adjourned Congress, apparently to block any move to impeach her.

(C/NOFORN) On 16 February, the Executive Branch withdrew all bills before the special session of Congress, leaving the body without any government business. As a result, the Congress will recess until May unless it votes to convoke an extraordinary session to consider Mrs. Peron's ouster. Such a vote would require a two-thirds majority, which is possible considering Mrs. Peron's eroding stature among Peronists as well as other political groups.

(C/NOFORN) If Congress declares Mrs. Peron unfit for office, the armed forces would support the declaration. Speculation has increased that a coup will occur this month, but military commanders are still believed to prefer constitutional means to unseat the Peron government. (CDS-31 Dec 82)

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