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LABOR PROTEST.

~~(S,NOFORN)~~ Mrs. Peron's Cabinet shuffle last week reportedly has caused displeasure among labor chiefs who claim they should have a voice in government.

~~(S,NOFORN)~~ Although not particularly displeased with the changes, Argentina's two principal labor leaders were rankled because she failed to consult them and are now considering a 24-hour general strike on 21 January. If it comes off, the President's primary power base could be further weakened.

~~(S,NOFORN)~~ Should the strike materialize, it would be the second time within a year that labor has challenged the administration. Last year, a strike forced the President to remove a 50 percent ceiling on wage increases.

~~(S,NOFORN)~~ The Peronist government's main base of support has always been labor, and the armed forces have apparently not been willing to run the risk of an unfavorable labor reaction to a military takeover. While the services might perceive a strike as a signal that rank-and-file workers would support the President's ouster, there has been no suggestion that labor would press their dispute that far. ~~(S,NOFORN)~~

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