

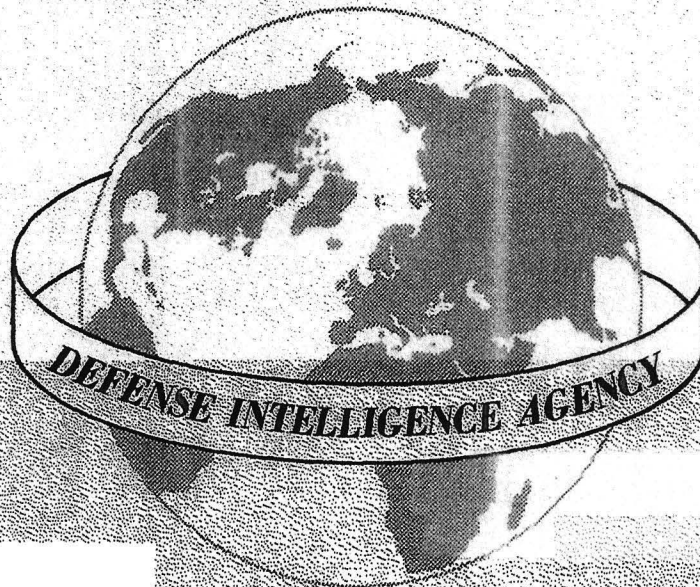
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~~(S/NOFORN)~~ President Peron, pressed to attend a bridge-dedicating ceremony in Uruguay, reluctantly agreed to turn the reigns of government over to Senate President Luder for the second time.

~~(S/NOFORN)~~ Foreign Minister Arauz Castex reportedly persuaded the reluctant President to attend the ceremony after Congress refused to allow Mrs. Peron to leave the country without turning over the office as required. The constitution requires that the Law of Succession operate whenever the President is out of Buenos Aires. Luder, will, therefore, take the duty for the period of the President's absence, probably only a few hours.

~~(S/NOFORN)~~ Meanwhile, forces loyal to the President are still trying to quash the congressional investigation of corruption in the Social Welfare Ministry, formerly headed by Jose Lopez Rega, a one time presidential confidant and power behind the throne. Mrs. Peron's parliamentary maneuvering to have the issue shifted from committee to the whole lower chamber may stonewall the issue since opponents are not sure they can muster the needed two-thirds approval. Should the resolution pass, Mrs. Peron will be investigated on charges of corruption during her administration. Critics will view the resolution's failure the result of a maneuver on her part to avoid investigation -- hence an admission of guilt. Rumors of Lopez Rega's return complicate the embattled President's position in the matter.

~~(S/NOFORN)~~ The trepidation expressed by Mrs. Peron over leaving Buenos Aires is yet another indication of her paranoia. Allowing Luder even a few

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hours rule will probably generate pressure from anti-Peronists to extend the leave, perhaps for the remainder of her term. This solution would allow all parties concerned to end the Peronist era gracefully.  
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