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TO: Chief, Foreign Liaison Division  
Office of the Vice Chief of Staff  
Department of the Air Force  
Washington, D. C. 20330

SUBJECT: Legion of Merit Award

Reference: Your letter, AF/CVAFL, 30 January 1975, subject  
as above.

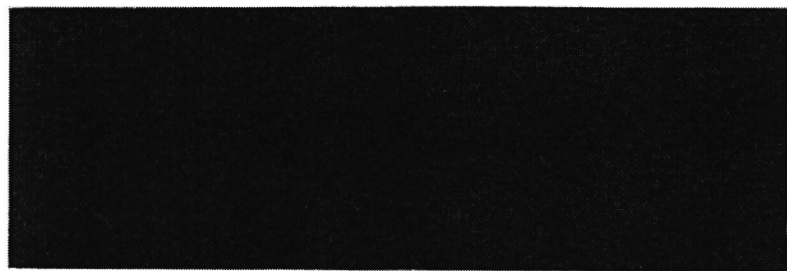
1. The Defense Intelligence Agency concurs in the award of the  
Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) to Major General Higinio  
Gonzalez, Argentine Air Force.

2. Based upon a review of intelligence and security files  
there is no information currently available to indicate that  
presentation of the award to this individual would either  
depreciate the decoration or embarrass the U.S. Government.

3. Attached, per your request, is DIA Biographic Data  
concerning subject.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

1 Enclosure  
BIO Data on  
MG Gonzalez,  
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## BIOGRAPHIC DATA

ARGENTINA  
Major Brigadier\* (Ret) Higinio GONZALEZ  
February 1975

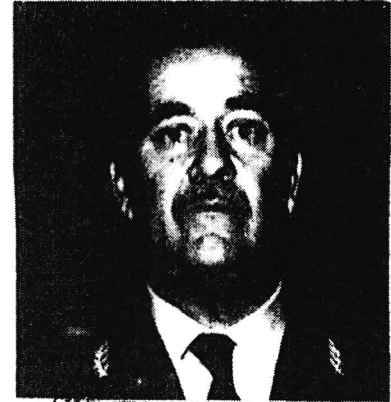
(U) NAME: Major Brigadier (Ret) Higinio González  
(goon-SAH-less), Air Force.

(U) POSITION: Retired since Jan 1975.

(U) SIGNIFICANCE: Unknown.

(U) POLITICS:

(U) International: Unknown. Maj Brig González has served as Air Attaché to the United States, Brazil, and Spain and has participated in disaster relief work in several Latin American countries.



(U) 1974

(U) Internal: Unknown.

(U) PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 5 June 1921 in Santa Rosa, La Pampa, Argentina.

(U) Family: [REDACTED]

(U) Description: Caucasian. Brown hair; wears a mustache; very hard of hearing, normally wears a hearing aid, one must shout when speaking with him.

(U) Languages: Native Spanish.

(U) Religion: Roman Catholic.

(U) Decorations: Scheduled to receive U.S. Legion of Merit (Degree: Officer). Brazilian Military Aviator Honoris Causa; Chilean Military Aviator Honoris Causa; Spanish Aeronautical Merit Cross (1st Class).

\* Equates to U.S. Maj Gen.

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ARGENTINA  
Major Brigadier (Ret) Higinio GONZALEZ  
February 1975

(U) CIVIL EDUCATION: Graduated from high school.

(U) CAREER:

1942-1945	-Cadet, Military Aviation School, Córdoba. Commissioned 3d Lt, 7 Dec 1945.
1946-?	-Assigned to 1st Observation Group.
1947	-Promoted to 2d Lt, 31 Dec 1947.
1949	-Promoted to 1st Lt, 31 Dec 1949.
1951-1952	-Assigned to Air Operations Command. Promoted to Capt, 31 Dec 1951.
1952-?	-Assigned to Personnel Department, Ministry of Aeronautics.
1954	-Student, Basic Course, Air Force Command and Staff School, Buenos Aires.
1955-?	-Assigned to Personnel Department, Ministry of Aeronautics. Promoted to Maj, 31 Dec 1955.
1957-1960	-Assigned to Personnel, Economy, and Operations Sections of Air Force General Staff. Promoted to Lt Col, 31 Dec 1958.
1960	-Squadron Commander, 1st Air Brigade. Participated in Chilean earthquake disaster relief.
1961	-Student, Superior Course, Air Force Command and Staff School.
1962	-Promoted to Col, 31 Dec 1962.
?	-Commander, 1st Group, 7th Air Brigade.
1964-1965	-Air Attaché, Brazil.
1965	-Air Attaché, Spain.
?	-Assigned to Directorate of Personnel Administration, Personnel Command.
1968	-Deputy Chief of Logistics, Joint Command. Promoted to Brigadier, 15 Jan 1968.
1968	-Chief of Staff, Personnel Command.
1969-1971	-Commander, 1st Air Brigade. Promoted to Maj Brig, 31 Dec 1970.
1971	-Chief, Department II (Operational Planning), Air Force General Staff.
1971-1973	-Commander, Air Regions Command.
1973	-Commander, Personnel Command, June-Dec.
1974-1975	-Chief of Argentine Delegation, Inter-American Defense Board, and Air Attaché, Washington, D.C., Jan 1974-Jan 1975.
1975-Present	-Retired from Jan 1975.

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