FACT SHEET - BRAZIL

I. BASIC DATA - Federative Republic of Brazil

Area (km²) - 8,512,000

Population - 122 million (1981)

Annual growth rate - 2.4%

Ethnic groups - Portuguese, African, Italian, German,
Japanese, and Amerindian (2%)

Religion - Roman Catholic (nominal)

Official language - Portuguese

Literacy - 75%

Life expectancy - 63 years (1979)

Capital city and population - Brasilia, 1.4 million (1981)

II. GOVERNMENT

Type of government - Federal Republic, Congressional with strong executive branch

Current government - President Joao Baptista Figueiredo Foreign Minister - Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro

	Deputies	<u>Senate</u>
Party - Social		
Democrats (PDS)	212	37
Opposition		
Brazilian Democrat	ic	
Movement (PMDB)	122	22
Popular Party (PP)	68	8
Democratic Workers		
Party (PDT)	9	
Workers Party (PT)	5	
Brazilian Workers		
Party (PTB)	4	
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III. ECONOMY

GDP -\$US 237 billion (1980)
GDP per capita - \$US 1,950 (1980)
GDP real growth - 2-3% (1981 preliminary)
Rate of inflation - 12 month period ending
December 1981:95%
Unemployment - 7-8%; in addition substantial underemployment exists