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AFTER DINNER APRIL 19 JUNTA MEMBER ADMIRAL JOSE T. THRENG TOOK ME ASIDE FOR A LONG PRIVATE CONVERSATION TH NHIGH TWO POINTS HERE SIGNIFICANT.

THE FIRST, WHEN I CONHENTED ON HARSHNESS OF SIX DEATH SENTENCES ASKED AT CURRENT AIR FORCE TRIALS, ADMIRAL HELVING TOLD ME IN GREAT CONFIDENCE THAT UNLESS. SOME NEW AND UNFORESEEN FACTS ARE DEVELOPED JUNTA DOES NOT THEFEND TO EXECUTE ANY OF THOSE COMING TO TRIAL.

SECOND, AGAIN RESPONDING TO SUGGESTION, HE INDICATED SUMA MAS SERIOUSLY THINKING OF EXPELLING FROM COUNTRY SEPER TRIAL SOME OF THE BEST KNOWN DETAINEES SUCH AS ALMEYDA SULETELIER, I REMARKED I HAD NO DOUBT THAT INTERSITY POST COULD BE FOUND FOR LETELIER IN US.

FURTHER DETAILS BY POUCH.

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	SURJECT; VISIT OF FAIR TRIAL COMMITTEE FOR CHILEAN POLITICAL PRISONERS
しては言語	1. THANK YOU FOR ADVISING ME OF IMPENDING VISIT FROM EX-CONGRESSMAN CHARLES PORTER, JOSEPH MORRAY AND IRA LOWE, WHEN THEY GET IN TOUCH WITH US, WE WILL OF COURSE DO WHATEVER WE APPROPRIATELY CAN TO BE OF ASSISTANCE, ALTHOUGH ONE-DAY ADVANCE NOTICE IS VERY SHORT.
	2. WHILE I KNOW THAT DEPARTMENT HAS LITTLE CONTROL OVER SUCH VISITS, I HOPE VISITORS REALIZE THAT CHILEAN GUVERNMENT WILL NOT RECEIVE WARMLY INDIVIDUALS DESIGNATING THEMSELVES AS SPOKESMEN FOR CHILEANS WHO SOVERNMENT BELIEVES PLAYED A PART IN CONSPIRACY UNDER ALIENDE TO INSTITUTE A MARXIST DICTATORSHIP HERE. NOR FILL ANOTHER LETTER TO GENERAL PINOCHET BE PARTICULARLY
	• WE ARE BEGINNING TO CARRY OUT DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS O WEIGH IN VERY CONFIDENTIALLY AND CAREFULLY WITH GOVERNMENT IN FFORT TO INDUCE IT TO EASE UP ON ITS CURRENT HUMAN RIGHTS RACTICES. DOUBTFUL WE CAN ENTIRELY CONVINCE GOVERNMENT HAT UNOFFICIAL GROUP CLAIMING SOME SORT OF SENATORIAL BLESSING
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IS ENTIRELY UNCONNECTED WITH OUR EFFORTS, I WILL TRY TO STEER OUR VISITORS AWAY FROM MOVES WHICH WOULD PREJUDICE THESE EFFORTS, BUT MUST CONFESS I WOULD FEEL A GREAT DEAL EASIER IF THEY WERE NOT ON THE SCENE AT PRECISELY THIS TIME.

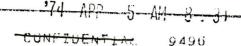
4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFURMATION AVAILABLE AS TO FAIR TRTAL COMMITTEE AND ITS SPONSORS. POPPER

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EU 116523 GDS TARS: CI, PFOR, PFIN SURJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS: COMMENT ON CONVERSATION BETWEEN SECRETARY SHULTZ AND PRESIDENT PINOCHET

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1. SECHETARY SHULTZ GAVE US MOST HELPFUL ASSIST IN OUR EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT DEPARTMENTTS INSTRUCTIONS IN STATE 64524 AND STATE 62450, FROM MENTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE IN GENERAL PINOCHETTS SPEECH TO INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK DELEGATES APRIL 1 (SEPTEL), AND FROM INTRODUCTION OF SUBJECT INTO SHULTZ-PINOCHET CONVERDATION BY THE GENERAL AT THE OUTSET, WE DEDUCE THAT JUNIA MAY HAVE DECOME ANARE OF HARMFOL POTENTIAL OF WIDESPREAD IS AND OTHER FOREIGN CRITICISM RE TRIALS, ETC. SECRETAR SHULTZIS REMARKS. KEVED TO REACTIONS OF VISITING US EDUCRESSIONAL DELEGATION, SEFMED PENFECTLY IN POINT AND WERE PUEPTED BY GENERAL PINOCHEI WITH VERY GOOD GRACE.

2. PINDCHET'S STATEMENT THAT TRIALS WILL BEGIN IN APRIL IS SIGNIFICANT. IT MAY MEAN THAT IRIALS WILL BE GOING ON AT MOMENT WHEN FOREIGN AID HEARINGS, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND ARE NOW SCHEDULED TO BEGIN APRIL 22, ARE UNDER WAY. THIS COULD HAVE UNFORTUNATE SHORT-TERM RESULTS, BUT I QUESTION WHETHER WE CAN BE PUT IN POSITION OF ADVISING CHILEANS RE TIMING OF THEIR JUBICIAL PROCEEDINGS. WE CAN RESULTS AND THE CONTINUE TO URGE UPON THEM THE UTILITY OF AFFORDING AS FAR AS POSSIBLE

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GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS TO THE ACCUSED, SUCH AS ADEQUATE TIME FOR DEFENSE COUNSEL TO PREPARE CASES, PUBLIC TRIALS WHERE POSSIBLE, AND RIGHT OF APPEAL.

3. IN THIS REGARD, CHILEANS MAKE MUCH OF ASSERTION THAT TRTALS WILL BE CONDUCTED STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHILEAN LAW, THIS IS TRUE, BUT PROBLEM IS THAT AS JUNTA PROLONGS, MONTH AFTER MONTH, LEGAL STATE OF WAR FOR WHICH CHILEIS CONSTITUTION PROVIDES, IT BECOME INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO JUSTIFY UNDER THIS PROVISION LENGTHY DETENTION OF PRISONERS IN DISTANT CAMPS WITHOUT CHARGES, AND SUBJECT TO DISABILITIES "NDICATED ABOVE, PUBLIC RELATIONS PROBLEM IS THUS NUT ONE OF LEGALITY OF TRIALS FROM CHILEAN DOMESTIC STANDPOINT, BUT IN LEGITIMACY OF CHILEAN CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS AS INTERPRETED BY JUNTA, IN LIGHT OF DEDADLY ACCEPTED HUMAN PIERYS TANDARDS,

4. IN MAKING THEIR JUGMENTS ON THID MATTER, OUTSIDERS ARE PHONE TO DISREGARD SENSE OF DANGER FROM INTERNATIONALLY SUPPORTED LEFIIST CONSPIRATORS IN YAYS COUNTRY, WHICH JUNTA DEFPLY FEELS. IN ONE RESPECT, NUB OF PROBLEM IS THAT JUNTA'S MEASURES APPEAR TO GO BEYOND WHAT TO REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR INTERNAL SECURITY PURPOSES. HOWEVER, IT MUST BE RECOGNIZED MHAT EVEN IF JUNTA MODERATES ITS IRUMAHANDED TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS. THERE WILL STILL REMAYN A TENDENCY, SPARKED FROM THE LEFT. TO CRITICIZE ANY SPECIAL OFCURITY MEASURES AT

5. PINUCHETIS REFERENCE TO LETTEN FROM EXMAMBASSADUR TO US ORFANDO LLTELIER IS WEAK BASIS FOR LFILLAN POSITION, AS INDICATLD DEPTEL, LETTER DISCUSSES MHAT RESEMBLES "GUN NU!" TRANSAUTION RATHER THAN SUBVERSIVE JPMS SHIPMENT.

6. I HILL BE SEEING FOREIGN MINISTER HUERTA APRIL 4 AND PLAN TO RAISE SUBJECT OF TRIALS WITH HIM. DEPENDING ON RESULTS, MAY ALSO REFER TO IT IN MEETING WITH JUNTA MEMBER ADMIRAL MERINO J AM ARRANGING EARLY MEXT WEEK.

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SUMMARY: AMBASSADOR RAISED WITH FONMIN HUERTA APRIL 4 ALLEGATIONS OF DENIALS OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO CHILEAN DETAINEES, AND THEIR IMPACT ON PROSPECTS FOR IMPENDING FOREIGN ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION, FONMIN SAID GOC FEARED ANY YIELDING TO COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA ON THIS SUBJECT WOULD BE CONSTRUED AS WEAKNESS AND WUILD ONLY LEAD TO FURTHER DEMANDS. HOWEVER, DETAINEES WOULD EVENTUALLY BE TRIED. FORMIN ADDED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD OUR CONGRESSIONAL PROBLEM AND WOULD TAKE MATTER UP WITH JUNTA AT AN EARLY DATE. END SUMMARY.

DURING MY MEETING WITH FONMIN HUERTA APRIL 4 I BROUGHT 2. UP EXTRAORDINARY UNGA, WASHINGTON MFM, AND ATLANTA DAS ASSEMBLY, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON OUR APPROACH TO SUBJECT OF TRANSFER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SEPTEL). I THEN TURNED TO DESCRIPTION OF OUR ECONOMIC AID OBJECTIVES, AS EARLIER ENUMERATED TO MINECON (SANTIAGO 1708), LISTING PL 480 ASSISTANCE, AGRICULTURAL-NUTRITIONAL LOAN, EXIM BANK CREDIT GUARANTEES, SCRAP IRON ALLOCATION, AND POSSIBLE HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEES, PUINTED OUT KEY RULE OF CONGRESS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR PLANS, FONMIN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION, I THEREUPON ASKED IF WE COULD TALK WITHOUT ADVISERS PRESENT, AND MOVED TO HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE.

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3. I RECALLED THAT IN MY COURTESY CALLS ON PRINCIPAL CHILEAN OFFICIALS I HAD ASSURED THEM OF USG DESIRE TO SUPPORT CHILEAN GOVERNMENT BUT HAD REFERRED TO OBSTACLES CREATED BY CERTAIN HUMAN RIGHTS CONTROVERSIES WHICH TENDED TO INHIBIT OUR ABILITY TO HELP. IT REMAINED OUR INTENTION, I ASSERTED, TO BE AS FORTHCOMING AS WE COULD. GOVERNMENT SHOULD REALIZE THAT PACKAGE OF ASSISTANCE MEASURES I HAD MENTIONED REPRESENTED SPECIAL DEGREE OF CONCERN FOR CHILE. WE WOULD DO WHAT WE COULD TO GET IT THROUGH CONGRESS WITHOUT CHANGE.

4. GOC SHOULD KNOW, HOWEVER, THAT DEPARTMENT WAS SERIOUSLY CUNCERNED OVER CONTINUING CRITICISM OF JUNTA FOR ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS. IN LIGHT OF SECTIONS 32 AND 35 OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT, WE COULD NOT BE CERTAIN OF THE FATE OF OUR PROPOSALS IN CONGRESS UNDER CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES. WE HAD NO INTENTION WHATEVER OF INTERVENING IN CHILEAN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS, BUT I HAD BEEN ASKED TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER IN THE SPIRIT OF FRANKNESS WHICH EXISTED BETWEEN US.

5. HUERTA RESPONDED ALONG FAMILIAR LINES, HE ASSERTED THAT THE COMMUNIST ATTACK ON CHILE, WHICH CENTERED SO LARGELY ON ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES, WAS NOT ONLY COMPLETELY HYPO-CRITICAL BUT REPRESENTED A DIRECT EFFORT TO INTERVENE IN CHILEAN AFFAIRS. THE DETAINEES IN CHILE WOULD BE TRIED FOR CRIMES UNDER THE LAW, EVEN THOUGH EXISTING CHILEAN LEGISLATION WAS ILL ADAPTED TO DEAL WITH SUCH OFFENSES AS INTENT TO ENGAGE IN MASS SLAUGHTER, CLANDESTINE ARMS IMPORTS, STORAGE OF ARMS IN HOSPITALS FOR SUBVERSIVE PURPOSES, ETC.

6. PEOPLE WHO ON INVESTIGATION HAD BEEN FOUND INNOCENT, THE FONMIN CONTINUED, INCLUDING SOME LEADING LEFTISTS, HAD BEEN RELEASED, THOSE STILL DETAINED WOULD BE TRIED WHEN THE FULL EVIDENCE WAS IN, BUT CHILE HAD NO DESIRE TO HOLD A "NUREMBERG TRIAL." ON THE OTHER HAND, TO GIVE AMNESTY WOULD BE A MISTAKE, AND THE JUNTA WOULD NOT CONTEMPLATE IT. ANY EVIDENCE OF WEAKNESS ON THE PART OF THE JUNTA WOULD ONLY ENCOURAGE ITS COMMUNIST OPPONENTS TO PRESS ON FOR FOURTHER GAINS, SINCE THEIR SJECTIVE WAS NOTHING LESS THAN THE DESTRUCTION OF THE CHILEAN VERNMENT AND ITS REPLACEMENT BY A MARXIST REGIME.

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7. IN FACT, HUERTA ADDED, THE PRISONERS GENERALLY WERE IN GUOD SHAPE, THERE HAD BEEN A CAMPAIGN IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS WITH RESPECT TO CLODOMIRO ALMEYDA, AND IT HAD BEEN ASSERTED THAT HE MIGHT BE AT DEATH'S DOOR, IN FACT, WHILE ALMEYDA HAD LOST SOME WEIGHT (HE HAD BEEN VERY FAT) HE WAS GETTING ALONG GUITE WELL AND HAD NO COMPLAINTS.

8. I SAID I UNDERSTOOD FULLY THE DANGER OF ANY STEP WHICH WOULD IMPAIR THE SECURITY OF THE GOC. OUR CONGRESSIONAL PROBLEM, HOWEVER, AROSE BECAUSE THERE WAS A WIDESPREAD IMPRESSION AMONG SOME ELEMENTS OF AMERICAN OPINION THAT THE PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN ADEQUATE HUMAN RIGHTS STANDARDS WERE BEING WEAKENED IN CHILE. WHAT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO THESE AMERICANS WOULD BE EVIDENCE THAT THE RIGHTS OF ACCUSED PERSONS WERE BEING PROTECTED: THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL, ADFQUATE OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNSEL TO PREPARE DEFENSES, A TRIAL WITH SUFFICIENT PUBLICITY TO ENSURE JUST TREATMENT, AND THE RIGHT OF APPEAL AFTER SENTENCING. MOREOVER, TRIALS SHOULD NOT BE UNDULY DELAYED WHILE INDIVIDUALS WERE DETAINED WITHOUT CHARGES.

9. MY PURPOSE IN MAKING THESE POINTS, I CONTINUED, WAS NUT IN ANY SENSE TO INTERVENE IN CHILEAN AFFAIRS OR TO INDICATE ANY CHANGE IN THE ATTITUDE OF THE EXECTIVE BRANCH OF THE US GOVERNMENT. BUT I KNEW THE FOREIGN MINISTER WOULD WANT ME TO DISCUSS FRANKLY WITH HIM THE OBSTACLES I SAW ON THE HORIZON. I WAS RECEIVING COMMUNICATIONS EVERY DAY FROM MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND FROM THE PUBLIC, AND I KNEW THE DEPARTMENT WAS IN THE SAME POSITION. ONLY YESTERDAY I HAD HAD WORD OF THE ARRIVAL TUDAY OF THE "FAIR TRIAL COMMITTEE FOR CHILEAN POLITICAL PRISONERS" (STATE 66889). I HOPED THAT THE FONOFF WOULD MAKE AVAILABLE TO THEM, AS IT HAD TO EARLIER GROUPS OF AMERICANS, THE FACILITIES NEEDED FOR THEM TO DRAW THEIR OWN CONCLUSIONS AS. TO EVENTS IN CHILE.

10. HUERTA SAID HE UNDERSTOOD FULLY THE BASIS FOR MY REPRESENTATIONS, BECAUSE OF THE BEARING OF THE CURRENT SITUATION ON AID LEGISLATION WHICH CHILE WANTED AND NEEDED, HE WOULD TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH THE JUNTA AT AN EARLY DATE. HE WOULD LET ME KNOW OF THE OUTCOME.

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11. COMMENT: HUERTA'S MANNER WAS SERIOUS BUT ENTIRELY FRIENDLY. HE GAVE NO ASSURANCES, BUT UNDERSTOOD THE BASIC POINT INVOLVED. I AM UNABLE TO PREDICT HOW THE JUNTA WILL REACT, AND WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT CURRENT PRACTICES WILL BE MODIFIED.

12. THE FACT IS THAT A GOOD DEAL OF EDUCATIONAL WORK WILL HAVE TO BE DONE TO CONVINCE THE JUNTA THAT STEPS WHICH ARE LEGAL UNDER THE CHILEAN CONSTITUTION DURING THE EXISTENCE OF A "STATE OF WAR" ARE BY NO MEANS CONSISTENT WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF JUDICIAL PROCEDURE. HAVING MADE THIS START, I INTENT TO USE APPROPRIATE OCCASIONS TO ZERO IN WITH MORE SPECIFICITY ON THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT MIGHT REASONABLY BE DONE TO SATISFY NON-COMMUNIST OPINION IN THESE MATTERS.

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1. SUMMARY: AMBASSADOR STRESSES TO JUNTA MEMBER IMPORTANCE OF PROPER JUDICIAL PROCEDURES DURING UPCOMING TRIALS. END SUMMARY.

2. ON APRIL 8 I CALLED ON ADMIRAL JOSE MERINO, MEMBER OF THE JUNTA IN CHARGE OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, FOR A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF CURRENT CHILEAN ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND A DESCRIPTION OF TYPES OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE USG WAS PLANNING TO EXTEND TO CHILE THROUGH AID AND OTHER MECHANISMS (SEPTEL). AT CONCLUSION THIS PHASE OF MEETING, I ASKED TO BE ALONE FOR A FEW MINUTES WITH THE ADMIRAL AND TOOK UP WITH HIM OUR CONCERNS RE HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. AS IN CASE OF MY MEETING WITH FONMIN HUERTA LAST WEEK (REFTEL) I REMINDED MERINO THAT GREATEST OBSTACLE TO USG ASSISTANCE TO CHILE AROSE FROM CONTROVERSY OVER HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES ALLEGEDLY TAKING PLACE, PARTICULARLY IN CONNECTION WITH DETAINEES. I SHOWED MERINO SECTIONS 32 AND 35 OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT, NOTING THAT WHILE THEY WERE NOT BINDING ON THE EXECUTIVE, THEY DID REFLECT CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN AND HAD TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

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4. I SAID IT SEEMED TO ME THAT AT THE MOMENT THE PRINCIPAL PROBLEM LAY IN ASSURING OUTSIDE WURLD THAT THOSE NOW UNDER DETENTION RECEIVED BENEFITS OF PROPER JUDICIAL PROCEDURES INCLUDING RIGHT TO COUNSEL, SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNSEL TO PREPARE DEFENSES, PUBLIC TRIAL TO EXTENT POSSIBLE, JUDGMENT IN LIGHT OF EXISTING INSTRUCTION, AND RIGHT OF APPEAL. THE MURE CLOSELY NORMAL JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS WERE APPROXIMATED, I SAID, THE BETTER THE RECEPTION WOULD BE IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

5. ADMIRAL MERINO SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE PROBLEM FULLY, CHILE'S IMAGE ABROAD WAS BAD, AND IT WAS A MATTER OF CONCERN, BUT PROBLEM WAS THAT EFFORTS GOC MADE WERE DISTORTED BY HOSTILE ELEMENTS ABROAD.

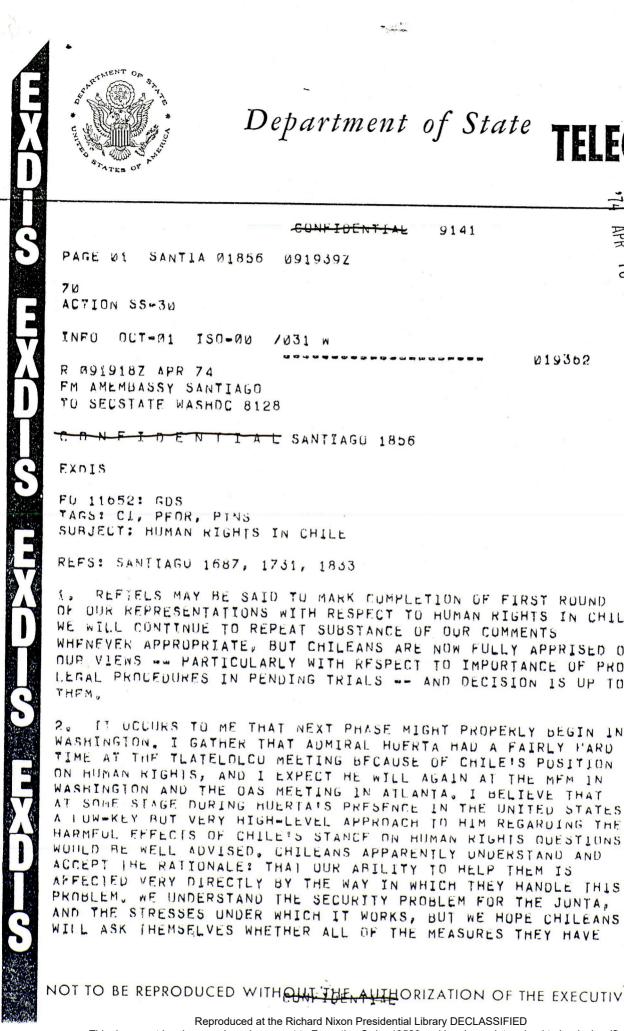
6. TRIALS WERE BEGINNING NOW, ADMIRAL SAID, WITHIN A FEW DAYS A GROUP OF DEFENDANTS WOULD GO ON TRIAL AFTER DELAYS WHICH HAD GIVEN THEIR COUNSEL PLENTY OF TIME TO PREPARE ADFQUATE DEFENSES. THOSE BEING TRIED UNDER CIVILIAN LAW WOULD BE CHARGED ACCORDING TO LEGAL CODE DATING BACK TO 1892; THOSE TRIED UNDER MILITARY LAW, UNDER PROVISIONS DATING BACK TO ABOUT 1925, EVEN THOUGH THESE PROVISIONS MADE NO PROPER ALLOWANCE FOR MANY OF THE CRIMES COMMITTED BY DETAINEES, GOD WOULD ADHERE TO THEM.

7. I REITERATED IMPORTANCE OF ATTEMPTING TO SATISFY REASONABLE AMERICAN OPINION, ESPECIALLY IN THE CONGRESS, ON THESE MATTERS. URGED ADMIRAL TO DO WHAT HE COULD SO THAT OUR DIFFICULTIES ON THE HILL IN CONNECTION WITH AID PROGRAM MIGHT BE MINIMIZED.

B. COMMENT: I BELIEVE THIS CONVERSATION, TAKEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH MY TALK WITH ADMIRAL HUERTA, GOES ABOUT AS FAR AS WE CAN AT THIS STAGE, THINK WE HAVE NOW ESTABLISHED THAT WE HAVE A LEGITIMATE CONCERN RE TRIALS AND THAT WE CAN COME BACK TO THTS SUBJECT AS OCCASION ARISES, SO FAR WE SEEM TO HAVE AVOIDED ANTAGUNIZING CHILEANS BY GIVING IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE TRYING TO INTERVENE IN THEIR INTERNAL AFFAIRS. ON OTHER HAND, IT IS APPARENT JUNTA HAS NOT YET BEEN APPRISED OF OUR INTEREST BY FONMIN ADMIRAL HUERTA, AS OPPORTUNITY OFFERS, WE WILL CUNTINUE OUR PRIVATE REPRESENTATIONS, IN HOPE THEY MAY HAVE SOME EFFECT. POPFER

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REFTELS MAY BE SAID TO MARK COMPLETION OF FIRST ROUND

OF OUR REPRESENTATIONS WITH RESPECT TO HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE.

WHENEVER APPROPRIATE, BUT CHILEANS ARE NOW FULLY APPRISED OF OUR VIEWS --- PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTANCE OF PROPER LEGAL PROCEDURES IN PENDING TRIALS -- AND DECISION IS UP TO

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FORMER CWILEAN AMBASSADOR TO DAS UNDER UP GOVERNMENT. 2. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT OF ATTNED BY GOC AUTHORITIES, SHE IS BEING DEBRIEFED ON HER KNOWLEDGE OF EXTREMIST CONTACTS, ON-UNDERSTAND-

ING SHE DIEL BE PERMITTED DEPART CHILE THEREAFTER, 3. MEITNER SHE, FAMILY NOR FRIENDS HAS APPEALED TO THIS MISSION FOR ASSISTANCE.

N. WE HAVE WADE REPRESENTATIONS TO EFFECT WE EXPECT AND DESIRE THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO ADSURE HER SAFETY AND PEMIT HER DEPART CHILE ASAP. WE HAVE DEEN ASSURED SHE HAS SUFFERED NO MISTREATMENT, IS COUPERATING FREELY, IS IN REGULAR COMMUNICATION WITH HER FATHER, AND WILL DE GELEASED TO OUR CUSTODY FOR DEPARTURE FROM CHILE AS SOOM AS HER DEBRIEFING COMPLETED.

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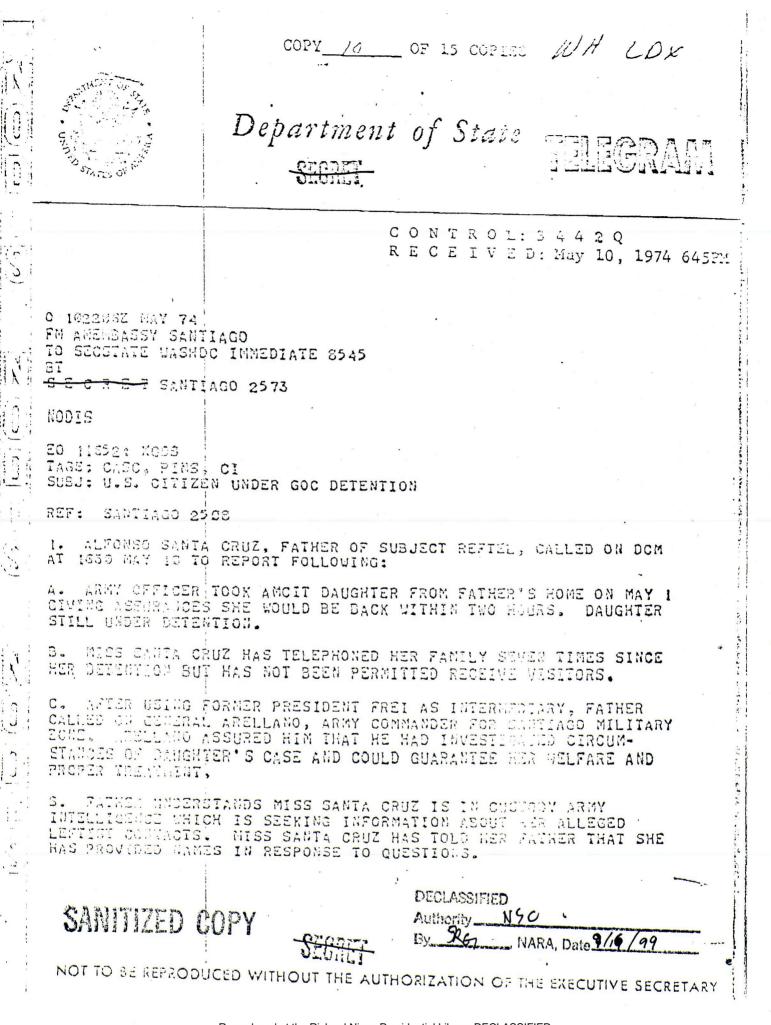
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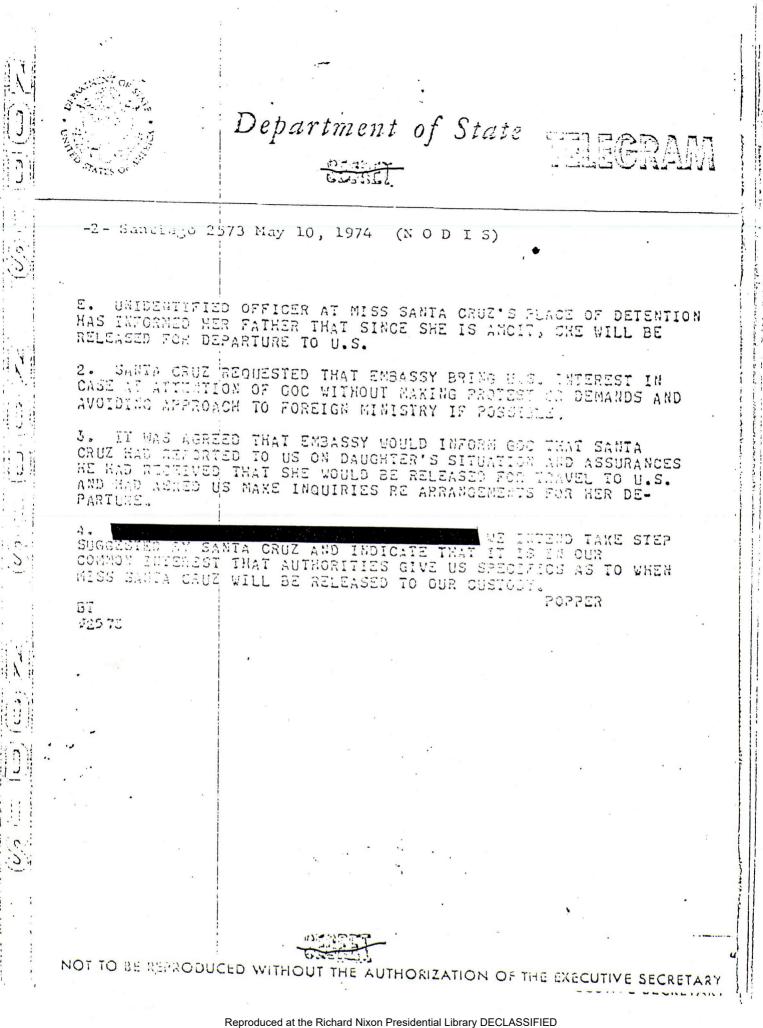
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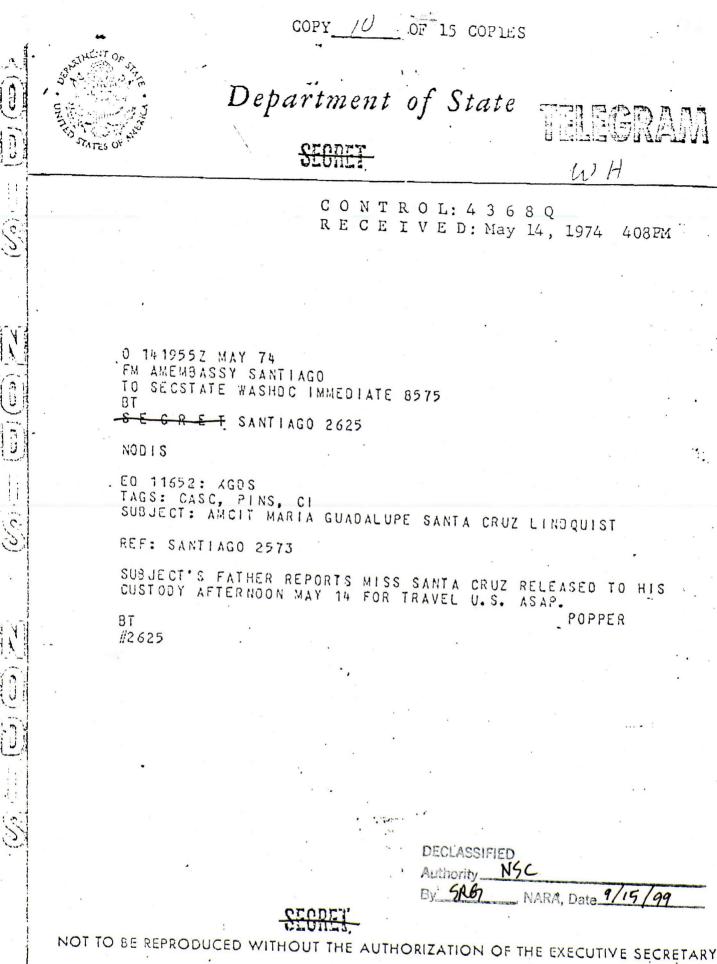
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	1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS EMBASSY'S PROPOSAL Matter per para 5 reftel a.	FOR HANDLING THIS
	2. HOLY CROSS PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR, FATHER DEPARTMENT ON MAY 28 OF CHILEAN MILITARY INTEREST IN HOLY CROSS PRIESTS DIEGO AND MARTIN GARATE, AND MAURICO LAFORDE, ALL O CHILEAN NATIONALS. LUERS (PROTECT SOURCE PRIESTS RESIDED WITH FATHER PANCHOT. LUE THAT GARATE WAS LAST SECRETARY GENERAL OF ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS "CHRISTIANS FOR SOC TO LUERS, MARIO YRARRAZAVAL ARRESTED AND YRARRAZAVAL AND MARTIN GARATE SOUGHT AND	INTELLIGENCE MARIO YRARRAZAVAL, DF WHOM ARE C) STATED FOUR RS ACKNOWLEDGED PRO⇔ALLENDE IALISM". ACCORDING RELEASED, DIEGO
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TION OF MONSIGNOR VALECH OF CARDINAL'S OFFICE WHO IS REPORTEDLY ARRANGING SAFE CONDUCT TO THE U.S. LUERS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ASSISTANCE FROM CONSUL PURDY IN QUOTE ARRANGING VISAS FOR ALL FOUR UNQUOTE.

3, LUERS SAID CARDINAL SILVA LUNCHED WITH FATHER THEODORE HESBURG OF NOTRE DAME ON MAY 27 AND LATER SPOKE TO LUERS

BY PHONE. ACCORDING TO LUERS, CARDINAL WILL CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR MAJORITY CONTROL OF ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL BY HOLY CROSS AND IN INTERIM WILL CONTINUE TO REFUSE TO ASSIGN CLERGY TO SCHOOL ON GROUNDS THAT WITHOUT MAJORITY CONTROL SCHOOL IS NOT A CHURCH INSTITUTION.

4. FATHER LUERS SAID HE WANTED TO KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS RE STATUS OF HOLY CROSS PRIESTS IN CHILE AND LACK OF ANY FORWARD PROGRESS ON ST. GEORGE'S PROBLEM. HE DID NOT REQUEST ANY ACTION BY THE DEPARTMENT OR EMBASSY. BROWN



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1. SUMMARY, WIVES OF ERICH SCHNAKE, ALEJANDRO JILIBERTO, AND CLODOMIRO ALMEYDA HAVE JOINED MRS. ORLANDO LETELIER (REFTEL) IN INFORMING EMBASSY OF SITUATION OF THEIR HUSBANDS, JILIBERTO, A DAWSON ISLANDER, CONFIRMED, THROUGH WIFE, HARSH TREATMENT DURING LAST 30-45 DAYS OF STAY ON DAWSON REPORTED TO US EARLIER BY MRS. LETELIER. END SUMMARY.

DURING INTERVIEW MAY 23 REQUESTED BY WIVES OF EX-SENATOR 2. ERICH SCHNAKE (SOCIALIST) AND EX-DEPUTY ALEJANDRO (COVP)D VARYING EXPERIENCES OF THFIR HUSBANDS, JILIBERTO IS ONE OF DAWSON ISLAND GROUP, AND HIS EXPERIENCES AS RELATED BY WIFE, A LAWYER AND FORMER MEMBER OF SANTIAGO LABOR APPEALS COURT, ARE SIMILAR IN MANY RESPECTS TO THOSE RECOUNTED BY MRS. ORLANDO LETELIER (REFTEL.

3. MRS. JILIBERTO CLAIMS HER HUSBAND WAS ARRESTED IN DECEMBER 1973. TORTURED INTER ALIA BY ELECTRIC CHARGES WHILE IN CUSTODY OF INVESTIGATIONS DEPARTMENT (NOTE THAT MRS. LETELIER DOES NOT CLAIM THAT HUSBAND WAS MISTREATED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF DAWSON), THEN SENT TO DAWSON WHERE TREATED ADEQUATELY UNTIL LAST MONTH TO MONTH-AND-A-HALF, WHEN CAMP COMMANDER WAS CHANGED AND FORCED MARCHES WITH STONE-FILLED PACKS, WADING STREAMS WHILE HALF

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NAKED, AND INADEQUATE FOOD BECAME CHARACTERISTIC. SHE DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF TORTURE IN SENSE OF COLD-BLOODED INDIVIDUAL APPLICATION OF PHYSICAL DURESS, HOWEVER.

*A*, ONCE IN SANTIAGO, JILIBERTO WAS MANDATED TO CARABINERO CUSTODY AND HE IS NOW BEING HELD IN MOUNTAINOUS CAJON DE MAIPO ARFA OUTSIDE SANTIAGO. SHE HAS SEEN HIM ONCE SINCE RETURN FROM DAWSON; ACCORDING TO HER, HE SAID HE HAD NO PROBLEM WITH FOOD OR TREATMENT BUT DID COMPLAIN OF BEING HELD IN ISOLATED CELL WITH NOTHING TO DO, NO ONE TO TALK TO, AND NOTHING TO READ. SHF ACKNOWLEDGED SHE HAD HEARD STORY THAT ALL DAWSON PRISONERS WOULD BE REUNITED IN ONE PLACE IN JUNE, BUT SHE PUT THIS IN RUMOR CATEGORY. SHE STRESSED THAT NO CHARGES OF ANY KIND HAVE BEFN LODGED AGAINST JILIBERTO, NOR HAS ANY LEGAL PROCESS INVOLVING HIM OR OTHERS OF DAWSON GROUP EVEN BEGUN.

MRS, SCHNAKE SAID HUSBAND, DEFENDANT IN FACH TRIAL, WAS 5 . ARRESTED SHORTLY AFTER COUP, "TORTURED FOR 40 DAYS IN ARMY MILITARY ACADEMY, " SENT TO DAWSON BRIEFLY, AND RETURNED TO SANTDAGO PUBLIC JAIL NOV 14, 1973. SINCE HIS RETURN TO SANTIAGO, SHE HAS BEEN ABLE TO VISIT HIM FREQUENTLY, HIS LAWYER HAS HAD AMPLE ACCESS TO HIM, AND HE HAS RECEIVED ADEQUATE IF SPARTAN TREATMENT. SHE SHARPLY CRITICIZED LEGAL BASIS FOR FACH TRIAL, NOTING SPECIFICALLY PROSECTURO'S CHARGE OF "DEALING WITH THE ENFMY." HER PRIME IMMEDIATE CONCERN, HOWEVER, WAS BEING ALLOWED TO ATTEND HIS TRIAL, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR EARLY NEXT WEEK. SHE STATED THAT SHE WAS MAKING STRENUOUS EFFORTS TO SECURE PERMISSION TO ATTEND; IF THIS WERE REFUSED, SHE PLANNED TO SEND YELEGRAMSTO VARIOUS US SENATORS (CHURCH AND KENNEDY WERE SPECIFICALLY NAMED) AND UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, CITING DISCREPANCY BETWEEN GOC STATEMENTS THAT FACH TRIAL OPEN AND REALITY OF SITUATION. SHE ACKNOWLEDGED SOME FAMILIES HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO ATTEND PREVIOUS TRIALS. SHE ALSO PLANNED TO CONTACT RAMSEY CLARK, WHO IS AT PRESENT VISITING SANTIAGO (SANTIAGO 2790).

6. BOTH WOMEN REQUESTED US REPRESENTATIONS TO GOC TO SECURE ACCESS OF FAMILIES OF FACH DEFENDANTS TO THEIR TRIAL, MORE LIBERAL VISITING PRIVILEGES TO PRISONERS, AND IMPROVED CONDITIONS OF THEIR DETENTION, THEY URGED USG TO REQUEST GOC TO EXILE THEIR HUSBANDS AND OTHER PRISONERS. EMBOFF CITED USG INABILITY TO MAKE SPECIFIC REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF NON-US CITIZENS OR

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TO MAKE OFFICIAL COMMENT ON MERITS OF PROSECUTION OR DEFENSE LEGAL CASES, EMBOFF DID STRESS CONTINUED US INTEREST IN FULL PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE AS ELSEWHERE AND NOTED USG STATEMENTS THAT APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE TO GOC. AT THEIR REQUEST, EMBOFF AGREED TO REPORT THEIR CONCERNS "FOR THE RECORD."

7. WHILE ABOVE CONVERSATION TAKING PLACE, ANOTHER EMBOFF SPOKE TO IRMA CACERES DE ALMEYDA, WIFE OF FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER CLODOMIRO ALMEYDA (SOCIALIST). MRS. ALMEYDA GAME TO CHANCERY TO ASK EMBOFF TO USE POUCH TO SEND THREE LETTERS TO U.S. ACADEMIC CENTERS IN RESPONSE TO TEACHING OFFERS THAT HER HUSBAND HAD RECEIVED. EMBOFF AGREED AND LETTERS BEING POUCHED TO ARA/BC FOR TRANSMITTAL.

MRS. ALMEYDA REPORTED THAT HER HUSBAND IS IN GOOD PHYSICAL 8. AND EMOTIONAL CONDITION, HE IS CURRENTLY IMPRISONED IN SANTIAGOIS TACNA REGIMENT QUARTERS WHERE HE WAS TRANSFERRED ON MARCH 30 FROM AIR FORCE WAR ACADEMY (SANTIAGO 1483). MRS. ALMEYDA, HER CHILDREN, AND HER HUSBAND'S PARENTS VISIT HIM THREE TIMES A WEFK. THEY HAVE BROUGHT HIM FOOD TO SUPPLEMENT HIS DIET, BOOKS, PERIODICALS, AND OTHER ITEMS INCLUDING A TV SET. SHE REPORTED THAT HE HAS NOT BEEN INTERROGATED SINCE HE WAS TURNED BACK TO ARMY CUSTODY, ACCORDING TO HIS WIFE, THE FORMER CABINET MINISTER HAS NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT ANY ATTORNEY AND HE IS PREPARING HIS OWN DEFENSE, THOUGH AS YET HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT SPECIFIC CHARGES, IF ANY, WILL BE BROUGHT AGAINST HIM, SHE STATED THAT SHE REALIZED THAT HER HUSBAND'S SITUATION IS CRITICAL BECAUSE HE IS THE "BIGGEST FISH" THE MILITARY HAS IN CUSTODY.

9. ACCORDING TO MRS. ALMEYDA, OTHER UP PRISONERS AT TACNA REGIMENT, ALL OF WHOM ARE RECEIVING SIMILAR TREATMENT, INCLUDE HERNAN SOTO, FORMER UNDER SECRETARY OF MINES; ALFREDO JOIGNANT, FORMER DIRECTOR OF CIVIL POLICE (INVESTIGACIONES) AND OSVALDO PUCCIO, 21-YEAR OLD SON OF ALLENDE'S PERSONAL SECRETARY WHO WAS ARRESTE ALONG ITH HIS FATHER ON SEPTEMBER 11 IN THE MONEDA. THE FATHER IS IN THE MILITARY HOSPITAL OWING TO A SEVERE HEART CONDITION WHICH PRE-DATED THE COUP. MRS. ALMEYDA LOOKS WELL, STATES THAT SHE IS NOT BEIN HARASSED THOUGH SHE SUSPECTS HER PRIVATE MAIL IS READ, AND THAT SHE AND HER FAMILY

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ARF LIVING "AS WELL AS ONE COULD EXPECT." NEITHER SHE, MRS. SCHNAKE, NOR MRS. JILIBERTO SEEM TO BE SUFFERING ANY FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. POPPER

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