

October 16, 1976

Dear Mr. Volonte,

We thank you for your recent contribution. As you know it is only by such contributions that the work of the Chile Solidarity Committee has been able to exist and grow. Today we need your continued support more than ever before. In the next few days you will be receiving a draft of an ad to be placed in the New York Post concerning the assassination of Orlando Letelier and the continued suffering inflicted on the Chilean people by the criminal junta. We hope that you will be able to support this latest solidarity effort for a FREE CHILE.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Nancy Sutula in cursive script.

for the New York
Chile Solidarity
Committee



CHILE SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE
156 Fifth Ave., rm. 322
New York, N.Y., 10010
691-9025

October 16, 1976

Dear friends of the Chile Solidarity Committee:

Just over three weeks ago the brutal murders of Orlando Letelier, former Chilean ambassador to the United States, and of Ronnie Karpen Moffett, his co-worker, shocked the nation and the world. Public figures issued statements denouncing the tragedy, demonstrations in protest of these assassinations were held throughout the country, and the U.S. Senate unanimously passed a resolution condemning the murders and urging an investigation by Federal authorities. The CIA and the FBI have indeed launched an investigation: their present efforts, as indicated by recent press articles, seem to be aimed at absolving the criminal Chilean Junta of any connection with the murders. At the time of his death Orlando Letelier had been exposing the Chilean fascist junta internationally, helping to increase its isolation. His nationality had been revoked by the Junta only eleven days before the assassinations and his life had been threatened repeatedly. It is difficult for any honest person to believe that a ruthless fascist regime with a domestic policy of murder, torture, and imprisonment, and a "foreign policy" of assassination (of General Prat in Buenos Aires), and of attempted assassination (of Bernardo Leighton in Rome) can be so easily dismissed as a suspect in the murders in Washington.

The New York Chile Solidarity Committee asks you to join with us in our determination to see that the real murderers of Orlando Letelier and Ronnie Karpen Moffett be brought to justice and that all forms of support and ties of the U.S. government to the Chilean Junta be ended. To give this campaign visibility and strength an advertisement (see enclosure) will be placed in the New York Post. It is one way to let our government know how we feel, and will serve to inform others of the true situation in Chile.

We are also planning a program on Chile to be presented to various groups including schools, unions, churches, and senior citizens groups. The program includes films, slides, and speakers. If you know of any organization or group which might be interested in learning more about Chile, please let us know.

Our campaign for the release of political prisoners, an ongoing campaign of the Committee, needs your participation. Groups and individuals can "adopt" one particular prisoner and through offers of jobs or scholarships, etc. can pressure the Junta for his/her release. This program has already worked in a number of cases and serves to make the Junta aware that the thousands of political prisoners in Chile are not forgotten.

Unfortunately no letter can be complete without an appeal for funds. For those of you hearing from us for the first time, we must explain that we depend solely on your contributions. This mailing alone cost over \$300. The ad will cost over \$4700. Your fund-raising ideas, as well as your individual contributions, are needed. Old friends, new friends - give whatever you can for a FREE CHILE.

New York Chile Solidarity Committee

SAMPLE MAILGRAMS (send your own variation)

(TO SEND: Call Western Union, 459-8100. \$2.50 per 100 words including signatures; thus, this would cost 25¢ per signer for 10 signers.)

Governor Jimmy Carter
Plains, Georgia

President Gerald Ford
Washington, D.C.

URGE YOU DECLARE INTENTIONS IF ELECTED ON STOPPING EVERY KIND OF AID TO CHILEAN JUNTA, INCLUDING CIA AID. PROTEST ASSASSINATIONS HERE BY CHILEAN SECRET POLICE. PROMOTE INVESTIGATIONS OF U.S. ROLE IN SUPPORT OF JUNTA, AND EXPULSION OF CHILEAN AMBASSADOR UNTIL RESTORATION OF DEMOCRACY, AND PROTEST HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AGAINST CHILEAN POLITICAL PRISONERS.

Senator Jacob Javits
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

URGE YOU HELP LEAD EFFORT FOR CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON ASSASSINATION OF CHILEAN ORLANDO LETELIER AND CO-WORKER AND ASK INVESTIGATION BY ATTORNEY GENERAL. LINK BETWEEN JUNTA AND CIA SHOULD ALSO BE INVESTIGATION BY CONGRESS. URGE YOU SUPPORT ENDING EVERY FORM OF AID TO CHILEAN JUNTA, AND EXPULSION OF CHILEAN AMBASSADOR UNTIL HIS GOVERNMENT STOPS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRATIC FREEDOMS RESTORED.

Speeches and Writings by and about ORLANDO LETELIER

This memorial pamphlet includes Mr. Letelier's last speech on September 10th, 1976, his important article "Economic Freedom's Awful Toll," and final testament. Also included are the funeral orations of Sra. Hortensia Bussi de Allende, Senator George McGovern, Peter Weiss and Michael Moffitt. Photos, newspaper editorials and other materials are included as well.

22 pages long; \$1.00 per copy, 60¢ for ten or more.

Order from: National Coordinating Center in Solidarity with Chile
156 Fifth Avenue, Room 516
New York, N.Y. 10010
(212)989-0085

I would like _____ copy/copies. Enclosed is \$ _____. Checks should be made payable to National Chile Center.

Name: _____

Address: _____

CHILE SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE
156 Fifth Ave., Rm 322
New York, N.Y. 10010
Phone: 691-9025

Dear Friend,

Enclosed is the "Call for a National Legislative Conference on Chile," to be held May 16 and 17-, in Washington D.C. in time for congressional voting on the 1977 budget. The agenda includes an opening plenary session at noon, Sunday, May 16, followed by three workshops (military aid, economic aid, and refugees). In the late afternoon there will be feedback from the workshops and some discussion on lobbying procedures. Sunday evening there will be a rally. Monday will be a day of lobbying.

OUR TASK IS TO STOP MILITARY AID FOR 1977, since the Buchanan amendment to the present Military Aid Bill, by allowing cash sales, does not close all the loopholes for aid to Chile! The strategy is essentially to influence eight key members of the House International Affairs Committee to adopt a cut-off of military aid to Chile for Fiscal Year 1977. The eight are key because they represent swing votes or are sympathetic. The Congresspeople who just returned from Chile testified before this committee and urged them to adopt the Kennedy Amendment and also cut off all Food for Peace funds for Chile.

Letters to the eight key Congresspeople should begin immediately. It is important to remember that most Congresspeople will be in their home districts between April 15-26 for the Spring recess. People can visit their representatives at that time and make appointments with them for May 17. (Please contact the office if you are interested in this).

The eight are: 1) Fascell (D-Fla.), 2) Hamilton (D-Ind), 3) Dupont (Del), 4) Frazer (D-Minn), 5) Rosenthal (D-N.Y.), 6) Whalen (R-Oh), 7) Bingham (D-N.Y.), 8) Wolf (D-N.Y.). If you do not live in the districts of Rosenthal, Bingham, or Wolf, it is still important to contact them: as members of this Committee they represent the interests of all New Yorkers in foreign affairs.

Please send copies of all letters to Congress to: Chile Legislative Center/120 Maryland Ave., N.E./ Washington, D.C. 20002 and the Chile Solidarity Committee.

People from all over the country will be attending the Legislative Conference. The chances of our affecting the decisions of Congress are great: it is an election year. WE MUST SHOW OUR CONCERN FOR THE RESTORATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE. ALL THOSE WHO CAN ATTEND THE CONFERENCE SHOULD: 1) Immediately contact the Chile Solidarity Committee and we can make appointments with your representative in Congress; 2) If you are a member of an organization, union or church, your impact as a lobbyist would be much greater if you were to represent your organization, union or church; 3) Groups from New York City will be leaving by train. Please call the Chile Solidarity Committee (691-9025) for travel arrangements.

WE HAVE A REAL CHANCE OF WINNING BECAUSE:

- 1) The Harkin Amendment which passed on Dec. 10, 1975 prohibits aid to countries that have demonstrated a consistent and gross pattern of violation of human rights.
- 2) The U.N. vote of the 30th General Assembly had considerable effects on many members of Congress. In fact, Sen. Kennedy excerpted from the U.N. report on Chile and inserted it in the Congressional Record.
- 3) The Sheila Cassidy incident received considerable coverage in the Washington press and raised the question of the protection of U.S. citizens.
- 4) Upon their return from Chile, Congresspeople Harkin, Moffett, and Miller made it clear that they would press for a cut-off of all military aid to Chile.

The National Legislative Conference will coincide with a visit by a delegation of Chilean parliamentarians to Washington D.C. to speak with members of the U.S. Congress. The delegation will include: Renan Fuentealba, Senator from the Christian Democratic Party; Luis Guastavino, Deputy from the Communist Party; Hugo Miranda, Senator from the Radical Party; and Luis Maira, Deputy from the Christian Left Party. **HOWEVER HELP IS NEEDED FOR VISAS.** You can help by sending a letter inviting these parliamentarians to the U.S.. All invitations for visas should be sent immediately to the National Center in Solidarity with Chile/156 Fifth Ave, Room 516/ N.Y., N.Y. 10010.

We urge all to attend. OUR WORK WILL GIVE SUPPORT TO THE JUST STRUGGLE IN CHILE.

Announcements:

The New York Ecumenical Committee of Concern for Chile has announced that Bishop Helmut Frenz has accepted an invitation to address an ecumenical gathering in Manhattan on Sunday, May 23, on the questions of human rights and religious commitment with reference to Chile and the U. S.. Your presence and support is needed (Call C.S.C.)

The U.S. Committee for Friendship with the G.D.R. and the Chile Solidarity Committee are sponsoring "An Evening in Solidarity with Chile, To Commemorate the Defeat of Hitlerite Fascism" on June 2, 7p.m. at Walden School, 1 W. 88th Street.

In Solidarity with the people
of Chile.

Staff of the C.S.C.

CHILE SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE
156 Fifth Ave. Room 322
New York, N.Y. 10010

- I will be able to attend the Legislative Conference.
- I will not be able to attend the Conference but would like more information
- I would like to contribute _____ to help to defray cost of the Conference
- I am planning to attend the Conference by car and can take others
- I will need housing in Washington D.C.

NOT ONE MORE CENT FOR TERROR!

On September 21, 1976 Orlando Letelier, former Foreign Affairs Minister of the Allende government, and an American colleague, Ronni Karpen Moffitt, were assassinated in Washington, D.C. As Senator James Abourezk (D. - South Dakota) said on the Senate floor, "the tyranny of the dictatorship in Chile has now been extended in part to the United States."

Three years ago, the Nixon administration plotted, financed and helped carry out the overthrow of the democratically elected government of President Salvador Allende in Chile.

For a thousand days and nights, the Chilean people have suffered under a regime of repression, terror and complete disregard for the most basic human rights and fundamental liberties.

Three years of military rule, supported and defended by the U.S. government, have cost the Chilean people:

30,000 killed	6,000 long term prisoners
150,000 arrested	25% unemployment
3,000 disappeared	1/3 of the population starving
100,000 exiled	all in a nation of 10 million!

Yet the Executive Branch continues to ignore the decisions of Congress:

In February, the U.S. dominated World Bank gave Chile a \$33 million loan, and the International Monetary Fund, with U.S. support, granted a \$90 million loan in June.

On May 7, 1976, Treasury Secretary William Simon, on a friendly visit to Chile, told the dictator Pinochet, "We will look toward ways of increasing public and private help."

In May, 16 North American banks granted the Junta a loan of \$125 million with the tacit support of the Treasury Department.

In June, the Defense Department began negotiating the sale of \$9.2 million in military hardware to the Junta the day after the House and the Senate agreed to ban all military aid and sales to Chile.

We, the people, are paying for the Chilean dictatorship with tax money we desperately need at home.

Over three years, \$1 billion of our taxes have flowed into Chile from the United States in economic and military aid.

We demand a change in U.S. policy towards the Chilean Junta:

1. A thorough investigation of the assassination of Orlando Letelier and Ronni Karpen Moffitt, of the activities of the DINA, the Chilean secret police, in the U.S., and of its ties with the CIA. We don't want a white-wash or a cover-up.
2. That all forms of U.S. government aid - direct or indirect, military and economic - be eliminated. Only by cutting the U.S. government lifeline to the Junta will human rights and fundamental liberties be restored to Chile.
3. That the U.S. support efforts in the United Nations to impose sanctions against the Chilean Junta for its continued violation of human rights.

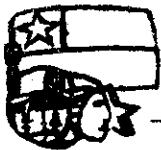
Return to: New York Chile Solidarity Committee
156 Fifth Avenue, Room 322, New York, N.Y. 10010 691-9025

I would like to be listed as a sponsor of this ad. Enclosed is a minimum contribution of \$10.

I am enclosing a contribution of _____ PLEASE RETURN BY NOV. 10, 1976

Name: _____

Address: _____



Chile Solidarity Committee

November 20, 1976

"NOT ONE MORE CENT FOR TERROR!," the New York Post ad of November 22, 1976, paid for by over 250 contributors, lists the following demands:

1. that a thorough investigation be conducted of the assassination of Orlando Letelier and Ronni Karpen Moffitt and of the ties between the DINA, the Chilean secret police, the CIA, and Cuban exile terrorists.
2. that all forms of U.S. government aid - direct or indirect, military and economic - to the Chilean junta be eliminated.

JOIN US IN MAKING THESE DEMANDS HEARD!!

- SEND TELEGRAMS - WRITE - TELEPHONE -

• Senator Daniel Inouye
 Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
 G 308 Dirksen Senate Office Building
 Washington, D.C. 20510
 (202) 224-1700

• Hon. Robert S. McNamara, President*
 World Bank
 1818 H Street, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20433
 (202) 393-6360

• Your Congressman

*In early December, the U.S.-dominated World Bank will consider a new \$55 million loan to the Chilean junta. This loan can be viewed as irresponsible on both fiscal and humanitarian grounds.

The worldwide response to the brutal assassinations was underscored in Chile where hundreds of masses were held for Orlando Letelier in defiance of the junta.

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 * A CHILEAN-AMERICAN CHRISTMAS *
 * December 19, 1976 *
 * St. Gregory's Church *
 * 144 W. 90th St., NYC *
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LATEST JUNTA DECEIT

The junta's November 16th announcement of the release of a group of prisoners was denounced by the National Chile Center as "a cynical ploy to fool world public opinion." Susan Borenstein, speaking for the National Coordinating Center in Solidarity with Chile said, "It is no accident that the junta made its release today. They are trying to confuse the member nations of the U.N. who are now considering a resolution which expresses 'profound indignation that constant and flagrant violations of human rights have taken place and continue to take place in Chile.'"

The junta's announcement "is meant to give the impression that all Chilean political prisoners are being released. Yet the release of 270 persons out of a total of at least 5,000 persons, according to the October 8th report of the U.N. Human Rights Commission, who are in prison or have 'disappeared' after arrest is not progress. Nor has the junta lifted the State of Seige. This means that all of those who are released today could be re-arrested tomorrow. Fundamentally, nothing has changed."

LETTER-PRESSURE CAMPAIGNS

A sizeable number of letters is the only way to make these campaigns effective. Your letter is important. Tell your family, friends, co-workers, neighbors about the current situation in Chile and what they can do to help.

L.D.

The Chile Solidarity Committee is initiating a campaign to pressure the junta for the release of BERNARDO ARAYA ZULETA and MARIA OLGA FLORES-BARRAZA DE ARAYA. Here is an excerpt from the October 8, 1976 report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the U.N. Human Rights Commission regarding their case:

283. Bernardo Araya Zuleta and Maria Olga Flores-Barraza de Araya are a married couple; the husband is 67 years old and his wife, 61. They live in Calle Barros Luco 1220, Quintero, province of Valparaiso. Mr. Araya is a former Member of Parliament and a prominent union leader who was the first Secretary-General of the Central Unica de Trabajadores (Single Central Chilean trade union). Both were arrested on 2 April 1976 in their home. No order was shown or sent to their family. DINA officials arrested them, as well as Maria Olga's brother, Juan Flores Barraza, 59 years old, and three of the couple's grandchildren, who lived with them: Wladimir Henriquez Araya, 15 years old, Mikoska Henriquez Araya, 9 years old, and Eduardo Araya Dojas, 9 years old. At the same time the home was thoroughly searched although no warrant was shown. All the prisoners were taken to an unknown place. They were kept blindfolded for a long time; two of the children bear witness that their grandfather was tortured; they once could see him "hanging by the hands and moaning". Their grandmother had suffered from nervous shock, after which she was transferred to her husband's cell. It was the last time the children saw her. On 3 April, at 10 p.m., the three children and Juan Flores Barraza were set free, blindfolded, some five blocks away from the house where they had been arrested. A recurso de amparo was presented for the couple in the course of which the authorities stated that they were not detained. The present whereabouts of these persons is unknown.

Their lives are in danger. As with 3,000 other persons who have "disappeared" following arrest, the junta claims not to hold them. We must act to save their lives now. Write and send telegrams to:

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| ● Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20525 | ● Ambassador Manuel Trucco
Embassy of Chile
1736 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20036 | ● Sr. Ceasar Raul Benavides
Minister of Interior
Edificio Diego Portales
Santiago, Chile |
| ● Your Congressman | | |

Look for "FUNDS FOR A FREE CHILE" collectors on your block - Friday, Dec. 10th, and Sunday, Dec. 12th. The more people who participate, the more blocks we can cover. Call 691-9025 for further information.

THE CHILDREN OF CHILE

A booklet describing the effects of the fascist terror on the children of Chile, and the poverty and malnutrition caused by the junta's disastrous and inhumane economic program will soon be available. Order your copy now.

CHRISTMAS CARDS TO CHILE

A mass campaign to send 10,000 Christmas cards of solidarity to people selected from Chilean phone books has been launched. These cards, which give encouragement to those who receive them, as well as instructions and addresses are available from the New York Chile Solidarity Committee. Groups or individuals can participate in this campaign by agreeing to send a certain number of cards. The experience of last year reinforces the importance of this campaign.

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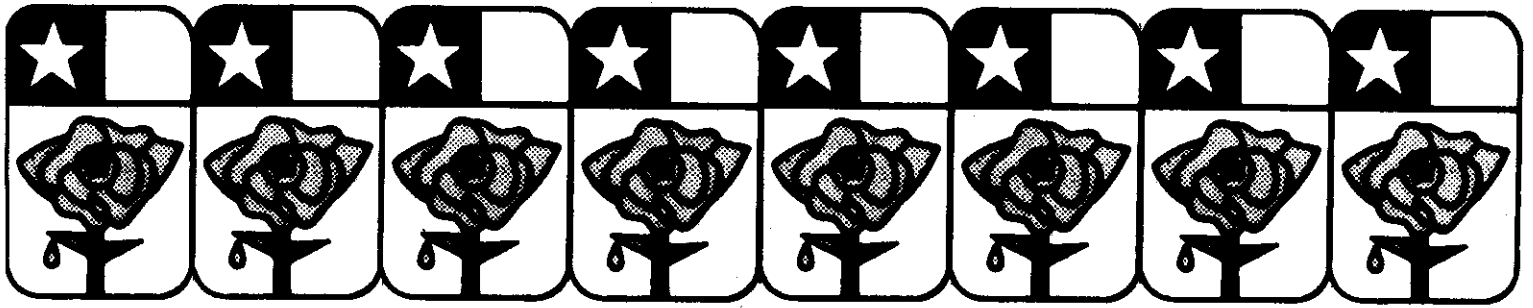
___ I would like ___ tickets to
"A Chilean-American Christmas".
Enclosed is _____. (\$2.50/ticket)

___ I would like ___ copy(copies) of
the booklet on the Children of Chile.
Enclosed is _____. (\$1.00/copy)

___ I am enclosing a contribution of
_____ to help further CSC's work.

Name _____

Address _____



A CHILEAN-AMERICAN CHRISTMAS

The consistent, gross violations of human and democratic rights by the ruling military junta in Chile has created a reality of terror, repression and hunger that can be seen most dramatically in the situation of the children of Chile.

Sixty-five thousand children have been orphaned by the military. Tens of thousands have lost one or both of their parents to the junta's prisons and concentration camps. Hundreds of thousands of children are hungry in a nation with 25% unemployment. And hundreds of children have been tortured and many remain in prison today. For them the Christmas of 1976, the traditional season for children, is not a time of joy and celebration.

On December 19th, New Yorkers will have the opportunity to share their common concern for Chile with those Chileans and their children who have been forced to leave their country after experiencing persecution and imprisonment. We invite you to join us in "A Chilean-American Christmas."

The donation of \$2.50 will go to support the work of the Vicariate of Solidarity. The Vicariate, sponsored by the Chilean Roman Catholic Church, runs thousands of popular kitchens to provide meals for the children and carries out extensive work on behalf of political prisoners, the disappeared and their families.

UNA NAVIDAD CHILENO-AMERICANO

Los violaciones de los derechos humanos y democráticos por la junta militar fascista en Chile han creado una realidad de terror, represión y hambre que se manifiesta y repercute dramáticamente en la situación de los niños chilenos.

65,000 niños han quedado huérfanos debido a las acciones asesinas de los militares. Decenas de miles de niños no están viviendo junto a uno o dos de sus padres debido a que éstos se encuentran en los cárceles y campos de concentración. Cientos de miles de niños tienen hambre en un país en donde hay un 25% de cesantía. Para ellos, la Navidad de 1976, fiesta tradicional de los niños, no es una época de alegría y celebración.

El 19 de Diciembre próximo, los Neoyorquinos tendrán la oportunidad de demostrar su apoyo al pueblo chileno, viviendo un día de navidad con los niños y sus padres que están en el exilio, luego de haber sufrido la persecución y el encarcelamiento fascista.

La donacion de \$2.50 es para apoyar el trabajo de la Vicaría de Solidaridad auspiciado por la Iglesia Católica. La Vicaría tiene cientos de comedores populares para alimentar a los niños y también trabaja para los presos políticos, los desaparecidos y sus familias.



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JOIN US FOR A
**CHILEAN-AMERICAN
CHRISTMAS
CELEBRATION**



CHILDREN & ADULTS INVITED

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19th from 2 - 5.30 PM.

DONATION \$ 2.50

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ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH 144 W. 90 St. (East of Amsterdam Ave.), NYC

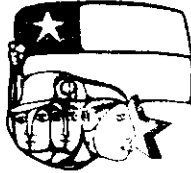
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N.Y. ECUMENICAL COMMITTEE OF CONCERN FOR CHILE



CHILE SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE
POST OFFICE BOX 4771
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64109

December 11, 1976

Dear Friend,

Since September 11, 1973, when the constitutional government of President Salvador Allende was overthrown by a military coup, the Chilean people have lived under one of the most repressive dictatorships in Latin America.

Immediately after the coup in 1973, committees of solidarity with the Chilean people were organized in many parts of the United States and around the world. One such committee exists in Kansas City.

The Chile Solidarity Committee of Kansas City was formed in January, 1975 with the intention of disseminating information about the present situation in Chile. The membership consists of social workers, medical personnel and health workers, as well as social activists. The Committee offers slide-presentations, speaking engagements and also publishes a newsletter.

As a result of the consistent pressure on the United States Government by solidarity committees (as well as churches, trade unions and other organizations), the State Department consented to allow a limited number of Chilean refugees into the United States. Under the "Parole-Visa Program," Chilean refugees who wish to reside in this country will be admitted.

Recently, the Chile Solidarity Committee has been working with three Chilean refugees in the Kansas City area. We have found that the refugees arrive in this country with little more than the clothes on their backs.

To date, there has been no funding from the Government for the relocation of Chilean refugees. It is the ultimate responsibility of the organization, church or individual sponsoring the refugees to house and provide for them --- until they are able to provide for themselves.

The Chile Solidarity Committee is aware of the fact that many, like yourself, would like to assist those coming to our country to escape the barbarous repression in Chile.

We are in the process of locating a large house to serve as the first residence of other Chilean refugees who will soon be arriving in the Kansas City area. It is our intention to establish a group of contributors (consisting either of monthly pledges or initial contributions) to maintain this residence.

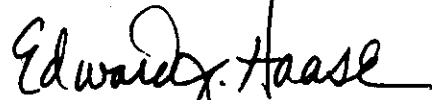
The cost of rent alone may seem prohibitive (\$250.00 per month, excluding utilities and other necessities), but the benefits reaped from this endeavor far outweigh the financial expense. We feel that by sharing this cost among pledgers, many people can become involved in a collective way, directly assisting Chilean refugees taking residence in Kansas City.

We will provide all of our contributors with a brief biography of those Chilean refugees involved and periodically keep you apprised of the project. And, of course, you would be most welcome to visit the "future home" and meet with these representatives of the Chilean people.

Your initial contribution or monthly pledge would be deeply appreciated. Please make your checks payable to "Refugee Living Center," Account Number 81 842 9, and send to the Chile Solidarity Committee of Kansas City, Post Office Box 4771, Kansas City, Missouri, 64109.

Thank you very much for your time and many, many thanks in advance for your contribution or pledge. Please do not hesitate to call upon us if you desire further information.

For a Free Chile,



Edward J. Haase

for the Chile Solidarity
Committee of Kansas City

P.S. In the next week, we will be contacting you by phone in order to answer any questions you may have at that time.

WHAT YOU CAN DO



The junta replaced all university rectors with military officers, began massive public book burnings and arrested and subsequently tortured and executed many Chilean citizens who supported the Popular Unity.

SINCE THE COUP

Martial law has been in effect since the coup in September 1973. There is a strict censorship of all media. Over six thousand political prisoners are still being held in jails and concentration camps throughout Chile.

Inflation has risen at an annual rate of more than 350%.

The cost of basic necessities has sharply risen, forcing many to beg in the streets.

Since the coup, U.S. aid to Chile has been resumed and the U.S. economically controlled international banking trusts such as the World Bank, have given massive loans to Chile, which were refused to the Popular Unity government.

Numerous commissions of inquiry have been able to enter Chile and have documented the brutal suspension of human rights. Recently, Catholic relief organizations have reported that mass starvation exists in the Latin American country.

As citizens of the country that is the largest supporter of the military dictatorship in Chile, we must demand that our representatives in Congress cut off all forms of military and economic aid to the Chilean junta. We must demand that Chilean refugees be admitted to the U.S., if they so desire, and that resettlement funds be allocated. We must petition our government to exert pressure on the junta to release all political prisoners and respect human rights and fundamental liberties. We must further protest the criminal actions of the dictatorship until all human rights are restored in Chile.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:



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CHILE

THE DESTRUCTION OF DEMOCRACY



CONSTITUTIONALLY ELECTED
GOVERNMENT

In September 1970, the Chilean people elected Dr. Salvador Allende to the office of the Presidency. As a candidate of the Popular Unity, Allende promised a more equitable distribution of wealth and a better life for all of the people of Chile.

The Popular Unity government moved to stop inflation which was rising at an annual rate of 34 percent, decreasing it to one percent in 1971. Pensions and payments for dependents were also increased among the poor and working-class. The construction of irrigation projects, health clinics (all health care was provided free of charge), and schools was immediately begun.



Allende, May Day, 1972.



"I work for Chile"

THE ROLE OF
U.S. CORPORATIONS

Upon entering office, the Popular Unity government began nationalizing corporations which were held by foreign interests. Copper, the most important industry, was controlled by large U.S. corporations which had been enriching themselves from Chile's resources. International Telephone and Telegraph (ITT) owned 70% of the Chilean Telephone Company and made a profit of over 60 million dollars in 1968.

When the Popular Unity nationalized the copper industry and ITT, putting profits into public service for the Chilean people, the U.S. government cut off funds from sources such as the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

THE ROLE OF
THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Recent U.S. Senate investigations have revealed that as early as September 15, 1970, former President Nixon informed CIA Director Richard Helms that an Allende regime in Chile would not be acceptable to the United States and instructed the CIA to play a direct role in organizing a military coup d'etat in Chile to prevent Allende's accession to the Presidency. Espionage networks were set up and financial support was given to opposition groups of the elected government.



THE MILITARY COUP

On September 11, 1973, the Chilean armed forces, backed by the U.S., attacked the Presidential Palace, shot and killed President Allende and hundreds of thousands of his supporters. A military junta outlawed all political parties, suspended the Constitution, closed the Congress and abolished labor unions.

Badillo asks Congress probe of CIA in Chile

TORTURE IN CHILE SAID TO CONTINUE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20 — Representative Herman Badillo (D-NY) has urged Congress to hold public hearings on reports of CIA clandestine activities in Chile since 1970.

Hearings Urged on C.I.A.'s Role in Chile

By SEYMOUR M. HERSH
Special to The New York Times

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 8 — Representative Michael J. Harrington called today for full-scale public hearings into the

By KATHL... Special to the... UNITED... put the number of poli... prisoners still held in Chil... 5,000 to 10,000... The mass killings that t... place immediately after a... military junta seized the... Central Intelligence Agency... clandestine operations aga... the Government of Presi... Salvador Allende Gosser... Chile.

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TO: President Gerald Ford
The White House
Washington, DC

"The condition of human rights...has impaired our relations with Chile and will continue to do so"

-Henry Kissinger, OAS Meeting, Santiago, Chile, June 4, 76

▶ YOUR ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN THE MAIN SUPPORT FOR THE CHILEAN JUNTA

Since September, 1973, \$1 billion of our taxes has flowed to Chile from the US in economic and military aid and sales.

▶ WHILE MAKING STATEMENTS ABOUT "IMPAIRED RELATIONS" YOUR ADMINISTRATION CONTINUES THIS SUPPORT!

Despite the June Congressional cut-off of all military aid and sales, and a \$27.5 million limit on economic aid to the junta, your Administration has permitted a \$9.2 million sale in military spare parts, a \$125 million loan by 16 Northamerican banks- in a word, has continued to bolster the junta.

In this election year, we demand that you respect the intent of Congress and the will of the US people to cut off all military and economic aid to the junta until it restores human rights and fundamental liberties in Chile.
