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President Patricio Aylwin Palacio de la Moneda Santiago, Chile, South America 5/25/90

Dear President Aylwin,

Please reconsider the project to dam the world famous Bio-Bio River. This whitewater river is one of the most magnificant river trips in the world. The river brings tourists from all over the world to your country. The upper Bio-Bio is rich in wildlife and endangered species, once destroyed, the natural beauty can never be restored. The region is also one of the last refuge of the Mapuche Indians, whose culture would be disrupted by the project.

We believe it would be in the best interests for Chile to preserve this natural area for tourism. Most of the profits of the project would go to foreign investors at the expense of the natural resources of Chile. An adequate study of the economic, social and natural impacts of the project has not been done. Please halt this project and consider alternatives that would better serve your magnificent country.

We wish you the very best, thank you.

President

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