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Sr Patricio Aylwin Azocar
Presidente de la Republica de Chile
Palacio de la Moneda
Santiago, Chile

Dear President Aylwin,

I am a member of Amnesty International, an international human rights organization. My group, Group 90, has been working on behalf of the "disappeared" in Chile by asking that the truth about their fate be disclosed and those responsible be brought to justice.

I believe that the establishment of the Comision de Verdad y Reconciliacion is an important step towards the achievement of these goals. I understand that the Commission does not have the power to accuse individuals in the courts. I hope that once the Commission has collected all the information it is seeking, this will be handed to the courts so that those responsible for the "disappearances" can be brought to justice.

Amnesty International does not oppose the granting of post conviction amnesties or pardons. However, this should not be done before the case has been resolved. It should not prevent the truth about human rights violations being established. The relatives of the "disappeared" have a right to truth, justice and compensation.

Yours sincerely,

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