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Sr. Patricio AYLWIN AZÓCAR Presidente de la Républica de Chile Palacio de la Moneda Santiago, CHILE

Your Excellency,

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Amnesty international opposes the death penalty in all cases as a violation of the right to life and the right not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, as proclaimed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

We welcome President Patricio Aylwin's opposition to the death penalty and respectfully request that You exercise Your power of clemency and commute the death sentences against Mauro Gonzàlez Quispe, René Larico Aguilar and Lisbert Fausto Mamani Morales, sentenced to death for the murder of two Chilean students in January 1992.

We call for the total abolition of the death sentence in Chile in line with the worldwide trend (over 40 per cent of all countries have now abolished the death sentence in law or in practice). Abolition would ensure long-term repect for the human rights of all peoples, regardless of nationality, which the death penalty clearly violates.

Yours Respectfully Such T. Marshern

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