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Dear President

News agencies have reported that the offices of CODEPU were broken into early on 29th January. One of the fine features of your beautiful country is that it does have a group for monitoring human rights - CODEPU. Not every country has one, but most of us need one sooner or later.

We are very concerned about the break in and about the threats made against members of CODEPU. We request that the source of the threats be investigated as a matter of urgency. It is vital for Chile that any people found to be responsible are brought to justice.

The activities of human rights groups are important to us all. We respectfully suggest that the government of Chile take whatever measures are necessary to make sure that members of human rights groups can conduct their legitimate business without the fear of threats or reprisals.

The way that people here think of Chile, depends on adequate steps being taken to protect the lives of all members of CODEPU. We sincerely hope that you will be in a position to ensure that the physical integrity of CODEPU facilities is preserved and that members of CODEPU are not in any way threatened.

Yours sincerely,

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