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Your Excellency:

I am always concerned about the violation of anyone's basic, human rights. In a number of countries 1992 is being marked as the 500th anniversary of the arrival of Europeans on the continent. It therefore seems a particularly appropriate time to highlight concerns with respect to unresolved human rights violations against indigenous peoples of what is now called the Americas, including the case of Nelson Wladimiro Curinir Lincoqueo. My concerns about these matters will not diminish when 1992 is over.

I implore you as President of Chile to initiate an investigation into the extrajudicial executon of Nelson Wladimiro Curinir Lincoqueo in 1973, in hopes that the full truth will emerge and that those responsible for his death will be brought to justice. I believe this must happen with respect to this and all human rights violations committed in Chile in order to prevent such atrocities from recurring.

Finally, Amnesty International believes that the amnesty law of 1978 constitutes an obstacle to clarifying past abuses and preventing their recurrence and that the law should therefore be repealed.

Most Sincerely,

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