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Sr. Patricio Aylwin Azocar,

Presidente de la Republica.

Your Excellency,

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We are members of a religious community of brothers who have just heard of the following case and wish to draw your attention to it.

In September of 1973 a violent coup overthrew the government of President Salvador Allende. Three weeks later heavily armed men in air force uniform raided the home of Nelson Vladimiro Curinir Lincoqueo, a Mapuche Indian and an activist in the Communist Party. The men informed the family that Nelson Curinir was being taken to the Maqueha air force base.

On the 18th. September 1973 he was alleged to have escaped but witnesses have testified that Nelson Cunirir was taken from the Maqueha air force base in the early hours of the 13th. October 1973. He was never seen alive again.

We urge you to initiate a full, impartial and public inquiry into this "disappearance" and take all necessary steps to safeguard the basic human rights of the Mapuche and all indigenous peoples.

Yours faithfully,

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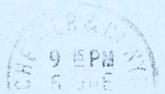
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1st June, 1992.

Your Excellency,

I have just been reading the report from Amnesty International about the case of Sr. Nelson Vladimiro Curizir Linoqueo, a Mapuche Indian, whose death is the subject of a criminal complaint for homicide presented to the courts. It is feared that the 1978 law granting amnesty in human rights violations will be used to close the case before criminal responsibility has been established. In addition, the case has been used to highlight the cruel treatment of the Mapuche after the 1973 coup.

In consequence, I would appeal to you on humanitarian grounds, Your Excellency, to use your influence to ensure that both this particular case and the others involving the indigenous peoples are fully investigated.

Yours respectfully,

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