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Presidente de la República
de Chile,
Palacio de la Moneda
Santiago, Chile.

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Your Excellency,

I am writing to Your Excellency as a member of Amnesty International to respectfully request that you use your power of clemency to commute the death sentence against Juan Domingo Salvo Zúñiga. Amnesty International is opposed to the death penalty as a violation of human rights as proclaimed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Your Excellency has repeatedly stated in public your opposition to the death penalty and promised to use your discretionary power to grant clemency in cases which come before you. May I respectfully ask that you do so in this case;

Yours respectfully and sincerely

G. E. Giddings

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GREAT BRITAIN.

15th June 1992.

Your Excellency,

I write to draw your very urgent attention to the case of Juan Domingo Salvo Zuniga, who was sentenced to death on 21st April 1992. This death sentence must not be carried out. I do not in any way underestimate the gravity of the crime he committed, and it is certainly necessary that Juan Domingo Salvo be kept in custody, for his own sake and for the sake of society, but I very strongly urge you NOT to allow the execution.

You are, I know, an opponent of the death penalty - you have publicly declared your opposition to it - and we in Great Britain approve your enlightened attitude. Capital punishment belongs to the unhappy past - nearly half the countries of the world have abolished it. It is heartening to know that there have been no executions in Chile since your election to the Presidency in March 1990.

Please exercise your power of clemency and restore Juan Domingo Salvo's original sentence as decided by the Vicuna court in November 1991. Juan Domingo Salvo Zuniga MUST NOT BE EXECUTED. When declaring clemency for Juan Salvo, it would be an ~~exp~~ appropriate moment to promulgate the total abolition of the death penalty in Chile.

My husband, Peter Jenkins, shares my views - we have confidence in your good will, and look forward to hearing from you that Juan Salvo's sentence has been commuted and the death penalty abolished.

I am, your excellency,

Yours truly,

Hilda Jenkins.

HILDA JENKINS.

9 Copthorne Park
Shrewsbury
England

14 June 1992

Your Excellency

I must urge you to please, please
grant clemency in the case of
Juan Domingo Salvo Zúñiga. I think it
is great that you are opposed to the
death penalty and would be delighted
to see you showing this by commuting
the sentence in this case. Thank you.

Yours respectfully

Anthony Twist

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Your Excellency,

I write regarding Joan Domingo Salvo Zuñiga who was sentenced to death by an appeals court in April 1992.

I understand that you are personally opposed to the death penalty and applaud the stance you have taken on this issue. With this in mind I respectfully request that you exercise your power of clemency and commute the death sentence against Joan Domingo Salvo Zuñiga.

I am a member of Amnesty International and in keeping with the organization am totally opposed to the death penalty.

The current trend world wide is to abolish the death penalty, over 40% of all countries have now abolished it in law or in practice. I respectfully urge that Chile follow suit ensuring long-term respect for the human rights of its citizens which such a penalty clearly violates.

Thanking you in anticipation of your attention regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Charlene A Gallagher

CHARLENE A GALLAGHER

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13th JUNE '92.

Your Excellency,

I am writing concerning
the case of a Juan Domingo Salvo Zuñiga
who has the death penalty awaiting him
somewhere in the near future.

I recognise that crimes such as
murder are severe ones, but I oppose the
death penalty on all counts.

I am a Law Student and
member of Amnesty International,
and I write to you on politically
neutral grounds.

I welcome your Excellency's
opposition to the death penalty and I
respectfully request that your Excellency
exercises your power of clemency and

therefore please commute the death sentence against Juan Domingo Salvo Zúñiga.

Amnesty International wholly opposes the death penalty.

I urge Your Excellency to consider the total abolition of the death penalty in Chile in line with the worldwide trend. Abolition of the death penalty would ensure long-term respect for the human rights of Chilean citizens which the death penalty clearly violates.

Over 40% of all countries have now abolished the death penalty in law or in practice.

I recognise and observe that the fact that Your Excellency

is widely known, (like organisations such as Amnesty International) to oppose the death penalty - showing here a man with honour. I remain,

Yours faithfully,
Rachel-Ruth Evans
Law Student
aged 20.

P.S, I would be honoured if your excellency would reply to my letter, even if a simple acknowledgement.

Thankyou

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President

13 June 1992

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Your Excellency

JUAN DOMINGO SALVO ZUÑIGA.

May I first apologise for being unable to communicate in your language.

Juan Domingo Salvo Zúñiga, aged 46 years old, was sentenced to death by an Appeals Court in April 1992. He was convicted for the murders of Antonia del Carmen Cabrera Gómez and her three children: Jessica Cecelia 8, Joaquín Mauricio 5 and Guadalupe del Carmen 3. This murderer was under the influence of drink and killed this little family with an axe on 25 November 1990.

On 30 November 1991 he was sentenced four times to

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life imprisonment by the criminal court of Vicuña. On 21 April 1992 the Court of Appeals in La Serena sentenced Juan Domingo Salvo to death.

I feel that the world will be a much safer place if this man dies. However we are not free to kill each other. The God I worship does not want us to kill each other. He forbids it. Therefore I must beg you to consider reducing the sentence to one of life imprisonment. Sometimes God leads us to do things we do not want to do. I am afraid that this murderer may escape and kill more people. But I cannot refuse to listen to my God. "Vengeance is mine" says the Lord. I hope that you do not kill this man. I hope that he never goes free. I cannot force you to alter this criminal's sentence.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Yours faithfully

Elizabeth Beveridge.

ELIZABETH BEVERIDGE