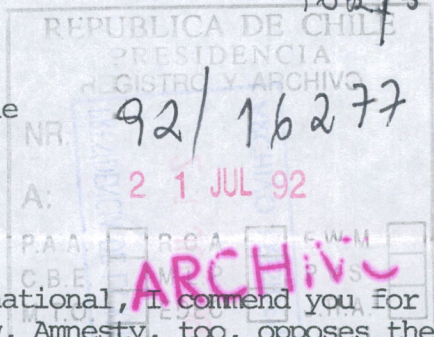


July 17th 92

Today

Sr. Patricio Aylwin Azocar
Presidente de la Republica de Chile
Palacio de la Moneda
Santiago, Chile



Your Excellency:

As a member of Amnesty International, I commend you for your opposition to the death penalty. As you know, Amnesty, too, 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.

It has been brought to my attention, however, that Juan Domingo Salvo Zuniga, 46, was sentenced to death by an Appeals Court in your country in your country in April of this year. There appears to have been a procedural irregularity which might have annulled the sentence but this was rejected by the court. It is necessary, therefore, to ask that you exercise your power of clemency and commute the death sentence against Jaun Dominco Salvo Zuniga. Because of your public opposition to the death penalty, I am sure that you will act quickly. Thank you.

Sincerely,

cc Sr. Francisco Cumplido Cereceda
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