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SR. PATRICIO AYLWIN AZOCAR, PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA, PALACIO DE LA MONEDA, SANTIAGO, CHILE.

Dear Mr. President,

I am a clerk in Government service in Australia, and I and many of my friends have a deep regard for Chile. Thus it was with deep concern that I came to hear of the attacks and abuses of the indigenous people of Chile in cases such as that of Nelson Wladimiro Curinir Lincoqueo.

However, we are also very aware that our news media are not always completely accurate. Would it be possible for you to be so good as to let me know whether the facts as reported in this situation are incorrect so I may help to make them known to the people in my community who take a great interest in your country. If, however, they are true, I ask you to do everything in the power of your government to protect the indigenous people of Chile, and bring to justice those responsible for the attacks abuses and threats against them. I realize that with such a large indigenous population this is difficult, but nothing could do more to improve the international image of your country,

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