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Sr. José M Eyzaguirre Echeverria
President of the Supreme Court
Plaza Montt Varas
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Your Honor:

I am writing to you as one of many American citizens who have been concerned over the continued disappearance of over 1500 men and women arrested in Chile since 1973. It is my understanding that the authorities have not responded to the pleas of their families for trial or release. Evidence to this effect has been given by the United Nations Ad Hoc Working Group on the Situation of Human Rights in Chile and other non-partisan religious and humanitarian organizations; it is alleged that there even has been an increase in arrests and disappearances in recent months.

As President of the Supreme Court you must share this concern over the violation of human rights and your Government's own decrees implied in these reports. I am appealing to you to use your authority and influence with the President of Chile and the respective ministers to assure a speedy trial or release from this worrisome detention.

Respectfully yours,



Gitta Meier

cc: Ministers of the Supreme Court
US Ambassador David Popper

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