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COUNTRY: CHILE

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DATE: 23 AUGUST 1973

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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SOURCE: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE ARMY GENERALS [REDACTED] B [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISCUSSED DEMANDING THE RESIGNATION OF
GENERAL CARLOS P. R. A. T. S. ^{BE AH} AS MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND AS ARMY

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF AND THAT THE PRESIDENT ACCEPT AN ALL-MILITARY

CABINET. NO DECISION HAS REACHED [REDACTED] B [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] B [REDACTED] IT WAS DECIDED TO REQUEST THAT THE

GENERALS FROM THE PROVINCES TRAVEL TO SANTIAGO [REDACTED] B [REDACTED]

SO A B MEETING COULD BE HELD [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] B [REDACTED] DISCUSS

[REDACTED]

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THESE MATTERS, (SOURCE [REDACTED])

HIS RE-

LIABILITY HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED.) [REDACTED] COMMENT: ACCORDING

TO RADIO REPORTS, PRATS HAS RESIGNED HIS POSTS. THIS ACTION

COULD AFFECT THE MEETING OF ARMY GENERALS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RADIO PORTALES REPORTED THAT ORLANDO LETELIER

HAS BEEN NAMED AS ACTING MINISTER OF DEFENSE.)

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2. [REDACTED] AIR FORCE

GENERALS MET [REDACTED] WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE ARMY

GENERALS WERE HOLDING THEIR OWN MEETING AND DISCUSSING THE

TOPICS MENTIONED ABOVE. THE AIR FORCE GENERALS DECIDED TO

TAKE NO ACTION BUT WAIT TO SEE WHAT WAS DECIDED BY THE ARMY.

[REDACTED]

3.

GENERAL CARLOS

PICKERING COMMANDER OF MILITARY INSTITUTES) AND

GENERAL MARIO SEPULVEDA, COMMANDER OF THE SECOND ARMY

BF All

[REDACTED]

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DIVISION, HAD TENDERED THEIR RESIGNATIONS TO PRATS [REDACTED] B
 PRATS HAD REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATIONS AND WAS ATTEMPTING
 TO CONVINCING THEM TO RECONSIDER. [REDACTED] B BOTH GENERALS
 OFFERED THEIR RESIGNATIONS BECAUSE OF THEIR DISAGREEMENT WITH
 THE PRESENT TREND OF THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT AND THEIR STRONG
 FEELINGS OF REPUDIATION OVER THE INJURY OF WIVES OF FELLOW
 OFFICERS IN THE DEMONSTRATION OF 21 AUGUST. (SOURCE: [REDACTED])

[REDACTED]

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4. [REDACTED] DISSEMI [REDACTED] SENT TO

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REPORT CLASS [REDACTED]

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