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BRIEF 05██ DIRECTOR ████████
TO: PRIORITY LATIN AMERICA BRIEF.

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SUBJECT: LATIN AMERICA BRIEF ████████ FOR 05 SEPTEMBER
1985.

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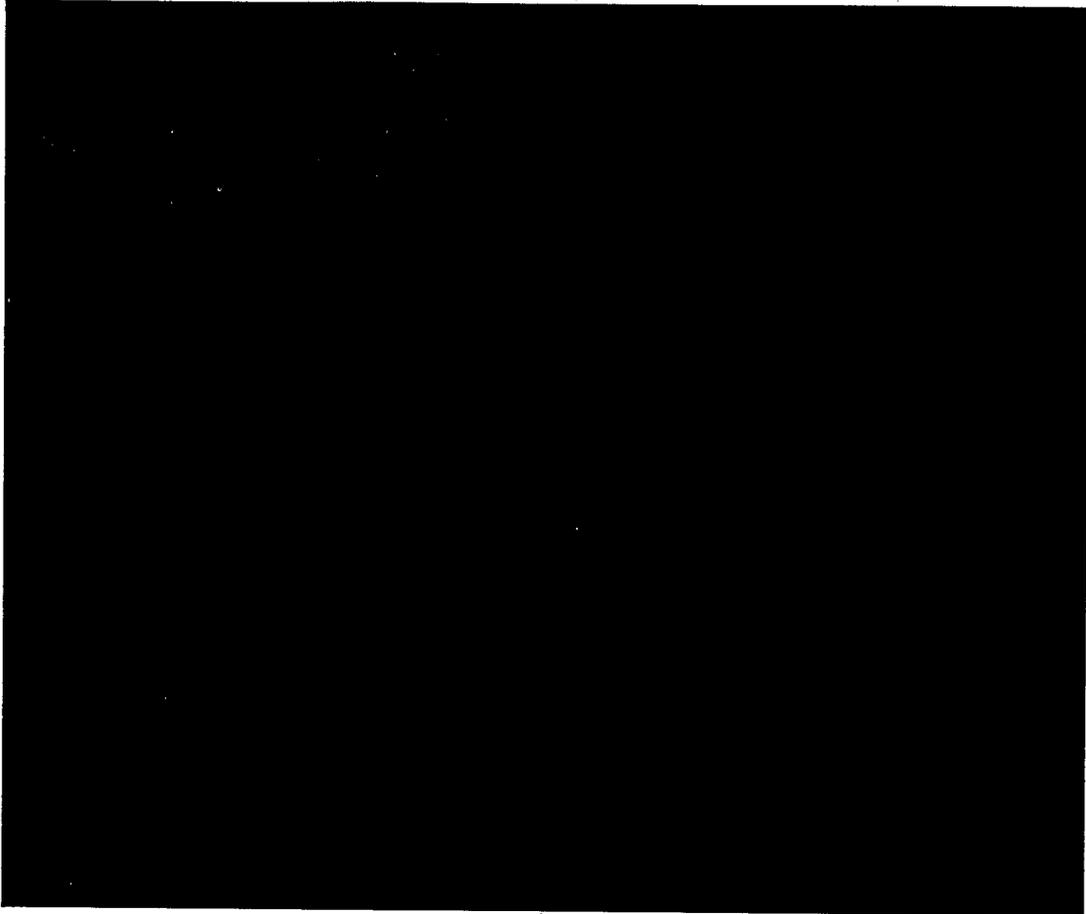
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3. CHILE: DISRUPTIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

//THE PROTESTS YESTERDAY, MAINLY LED BY THE COMMUNISTS, BEGAN
WITH NUMEROUS BOMBINGS IN MAJOR CITIES, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS.
DEMONSTRATORS BURNED SEVERAL BUSES AND SKIRMISHED WITH THE SECURITY
FORCES IN DOWNTOWN SANTIAGO, AT SEVERAL UNIVERSITIES, AND IN
OUTLYING SLUMS. THERE WAS ONE DEATH, ONLY A FEW INJURIES, AND ABOUT
150 ARRESTS. PUBLIC TRANSIT WAS DISRUPTED, MOST BUSINESSES CLOSED
EARLY, AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE WAS MINIMAL. PRESIDENT PINOCHET, IN A
MIDDAY SPEECH, THREATENED HARSHER MEASURES IF PROTESTS GET OUT OF
HAND. MEANWHILE, MODERATE OPPOSITION LEADERS, WHO HAD CALLED FOR

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NONVIOLENCE, KICKED OFF A PETITION-SIGNING DRIVE IN FAVOR OF THEIR
RECENT NATIONAL ACCORD URGING AN EARLY RETURN TO DEMOCRACY.// █

    COMMENT: //THIS WAS THE MOST DISRUPTIVE DEMONSTRATION IN CHILE
SINCE LAST YEAR, AND THE COMMUNISTS, WHO WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE
MODERATES' NATIONAL ACCORD, PROBABLY ARE ENCOURAGED BY THE
RESULTS.// ███

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