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THERE IS GENERAL INDIGNATION THROUGHOUT THE NAVY TO THE 26 JULY SHOOTING OF NAVAL CAPTAIN ARTURO A R A Y A , AIDE DE CAMP TO PRESIDENT SALVADOR A L L E N D E . IT IS FELT THAT ALLENDE MUST TAKE THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY, SINCE IT WAS HE WHO ALLOWED THE SPREAD OF ARMED GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

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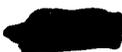
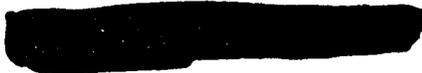
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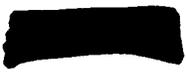
WITHOUT TAKING EARLY ACTION TO STOP THEM. 

 JULY HE HAD TALKED WITH ADMIRAL ISMAEL HUERTA ABOUT THE KILLING, AND HUERTA COMMENTED THAT ARAYA'S DEATH WAS ONE MORE PROOF OF THE NEED TO REMEDY THE VARIOUS ILLS AFFECTING CHILE.

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 ALLENDE MUST REALIZE THAT THE NAVY BLAMED HIM FOR ARAYA'S DEATH. HE POINTED OUT THAT ALLENDE IS PERCEPTIVE, AND THAT THE COLDNESS WITH WHICH HE WAS MET AT ARAYA'S FUNERAL ON 28 JULY WAS QUITE OBVIOUS.  THE FUNERAL EULOGY AND THE PUBLIC DECLARATION MADE BY A GROUP OF ARAYA'S CLASSMATES AT THE NAVAL ACADEMY ON 29 JULY WERE EXPLICIT IN REPRESENTING THE NAVY'S OPINION.  COMMENT: BOTH THE EULOGY AND DECLARATION WERE CARRIED IN THE PRESS ON 29 JULY. THEY INCLUDED THINLY VEILED COMMENTS TO THE EFFECT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS TO BLAME FOR THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION ^{IN} CHILE, INCLUDING THE VIOLENCE DUE TO THE SPREAD OF ARMS.) 

 THE EULOGY OF NAVY COMMANDER IN CHIEF RAUL MONTERO AT THE FUNERAL DID NOT REPRESENT THE OPINION OF THE NAVY IN GENERAL.


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3. [REDACTED] COMMENT: THE OPPOSITION PRESS IN SANTIAGO HAS REPORTED THAT AUTHORITIES ON 28 JULY ARRESTED JOSE R I Q U E L M E BASCUNAN, AN ELECTRICIAN WITH THE CHILEAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CORFO), WHO REPORTEDLY WAS PART OF A PLOT TO KIDNAP ARAYA, WHICH WENT AWRY AND LED TO HIS DEATH. THE PRESS FURTHER REPORTED THAT TWELVE OTHER PERSONS, AS YET UNIDENTIFIED, HAVE BEEN IMPLICATED IN THE PLOT; THEY REPORTEDLY WERE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED POPULAR ACTION MOVEMENT (MAPU), THE SOCIALIST PARTY (PS), THE REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS FEDERATION (FTR), AND THE MOVEMENT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY LEFT (MIR). NO OTHER ARRESTS HAVE YET BEEN MADE. THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT HAS CATEGORICALLY DENIED THAT THE KILLING OF ARAYA WAS PERPETRATED BY ANY ELEMENTS OF THE POPULAR UNITY COALITION.)

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