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2. [REDACTED] PRESIDENT AUGUSTO P I N O C H E T
SAID THAT THE REMOVAL OF GENERAL MANUEL C O N T R E R A S
AS THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR INFORMATION

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(CNI) WAS THE FIRST STEP IN HIS PLANS TO MAKE EXTENSIVE CHANGES IN THE LEADERSHIP ECHELONS OF THE CNI. HE SAID THAT COLONEL WALTER D O E R N E R ANDRADE, FORMER DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS OF THE NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE (DINA), THE PREDECESSOR ORGANIZATION OF CNI, WILL REPLACE COLONEL RAFAEL P A N T U J A AS SUB-DIRECTOR OF THE CNI, AND THAT SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES WILL ALSO BE MADE AT ALL OTHER LEADERSHIP LEVELS OF THE CNI. [REDACTED] COMMENT: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IN IR 6 817 0130 76, DATED 28 MAY 1976, DOERNER WAS DESCRIBED AS PRO-U.S., STAUNCHLY ANTI-COMMUNIST, AND CONSERVATIVE IN VIEWPOINT. DOERNER ATTENDED THE AUGUST 1976 SESSION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE SCHOOL IN WASHING, D.C.)

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3. PRESIDENT PINOCHET ALSO SAID THAT THE CNI HAS RELEASED TEN TO 15 PERCENT OF ITS MILITARY AND CARABINERO PERSONNEL TO RETURN TO THEIR PARENT ORGANIZATIONS AND THAT AN OVERALL REDUCTION OF 20 PERCENT IS PLANNED. IN ADDITION,

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MOST OF THE CIVILIANS WHO HAD BEEN USED BY THE CNI AND PREVIOUSLY BY DINA ARE BEING RELEASED. THE BULK OF THE MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL BEING RELEASED ARE STONG-ARM TYPES WHO WERE USED IN THE PAST FOR DETENTIONS AND SIMILAR ACTIVITIES.

4. PRESIDENT PINOCHET SAID HE IS MAKING THESE CHANGES IN ORDER TO IMPROVE CHILE'S HUMAN RIGHTS IMAGE INTERNATIONALLY. HE SAID HE REALIZES THAT AS LONG AS THE LEADERSHIP OF THE CNI REMAINS BASICALLY THE SAME AS THAT OF ITS PREDECESSOR ORGANIZATION, DINA, MANY CRITICS OF THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT WILL INSIST THAT NO REAL CHANGE HAS TAKEN PLACE.

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5. [REDACTED]

6. [REDACTED] AN ADVISOR TO GENERAL CONTRERAS, INTERPRETS THE DEPARTURE OF CONTRERAS AND GENERAL HERNAN B E J A R E S GONZALEZ, MINISTER SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE GOVERNMENT, WHO IS TO RETIRE, AS A SIGNIFICANT VICTORY FOR JAMIE G U Z M A N, A KEY CIVILIAN ADVISOR TO PINOCHET, AND OTHER "SOFT-LINERS" IN THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CONTRERAS, BEJARES, AND GENERAL CESAR BENAVIDES, MINISTER OF INTERIOR, WERE THE CORE OF THE GROUP PRESSURING PRESIDENT PINOCHET TO MAINTAIN TOUGH INTERNAL SECURITY POLICIES REGARDLESS OF INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON PINOCHET TO IMPROVE THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT'S HUMAN RIGHTS IMAGE; NOW, BENAVIDES WILL BE ISOLATED. [REDACTED] COMMENT: IT WAS CLEAR

[REDACTED] THAT PINOCHET IS MAKING A MISTAKE IN JEOPARDIZING CHILE'S INTERNAL SECURITY IN ORDER TO APPEASE THE U.S. AND OTHER HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATES.)

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7. [REDACTED] CONTRERAS WAS COMPLETELY SHOCKED AT HIS OUSTER, DESPITE THE WIDESPREAD FEELING THAT HIS POSITION WAS VULNERABLE AFTER DINA WAS SUPERSEDED BY THE CNI IN AUGUST 1977. [REDACTED] LIKENED CONTRERAS' ATTITUDE TO THAT OF A CUCKOLDED HUSBAND WHO IS THE LAST TO REALIZE THAT HIS WIFE WAS BEING UNFAITHFUL. [REDACTED] ADDED THAT IT WAS A FURTHER BLOW TO CONTRERAS TO LEARN THAT HE WAS BEING REPLACED BY GENERAL (RETIRED) OLANIER MENA SALINAS, CURRENTLY CHILEAN AMBASSADOR TO URUGUAY AND FORMERLY CHIEF OF ARMY INTELLIGENCE.

[REDACTED] COMMENT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MENA WAS REMOVED FROM HIS ARMY INTELLIGENCE

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POSITION AND RETIRED AFTER HIS DISAGREEMENT WITH CONTRERAS
OVER THE ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT'S SECURITY FORCES.

[REDACTED] CONTRERAS AS SOMEWHAT CRESTFALLEN OVER
HIS CHANGE IN POSITION FROM ACTING CHIEF OF CNI TO POSITION
OF DIRECTOR OF ARMY ENGINEERS EVEN THOUGH CONTRERAS SAID HE
WAS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE CHANGE; [REDACTED]

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