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GENERAL PINOCHET INTERVIEWED ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

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[Text] Santiago, Chile, 8 Mar--The Santiago newspaper LA TERCERA DE LA HORA on 7 March carries an interview with Chilean governing junta chief Gen Augusto Pinochet entitled: "There Is Not and There Has Not Been Any Violation of Human Rights in Chile." Here is his interview with newswoman Maria Eugenia Oyarzun:

"I do not answer insolent letters referring to acts which did not occur. Human rights have not been violated in Chile. This has been confirmed by the many delegations to whom it has been made easy to see what is happening in the country." This was General Pinochet's reply to a letter received by the Chilean Government from a UN Human Rights Committee. The committee had requested that the Chilean Government put an end to the "violation" of the charter of human rights.

In the exclusive interview granted to LA TERCERA General Pinochet said: "We have not violated human rights. Many delegations have come here to see what is happening and they have been given every opportunity to visit and to talk to whomever they wanted to. After these inspections the delegations which have come here have always said that everything is in order and have appreciated the opportunity given to them.

"Unfortunately, for political reasons, other reports have been released abroad. I can assure you that we do not have executions here. We have normal trials. Courts operate independently. We have issued statements explaining that a firm hand does not mean cruelty. It means justice."

Further on he said: "We, who have been trained by the armed forces and the carabineros, are not cruel. On the contrary, we have a genuinely humanitarian feeling.

"I will not answer the letter you mention because I do not accept letters which do not conform to the truth, which contain lies. Let me ask why they worry so much about us while they pay no attention to what is happening to human rights in Cuba and in countries behind the Iron Curtain. There a man is deprived of his citizenship for writing a book. In our country only those who act against the nation or promote a civil war among Chileans, from inside the country or from abroad, will be deprived of their citizenship."

GOVERNMENT REVEALS PLANS FOR NATION; LEFTISTS OMITTED

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[Enrique Guzman dispatch]

[Text] Santiago, Chile, 10 Mar--The main objective of Gen Augusto Pinochet's government is to establish a modern social democracy with an authentic nationalistic spirit, it was officially reported here today. This is the first time that the government has announced what it considers to be its general characteristics and its short- and long-range goals based on concepts previously worked out in part by the authorities.

The military junta revealed the principal aspects of its future action in a document released today, 6 months after the armed forces overthrew the leftist coalition government on 11 September. The government's short-range plan for the complete reconstruction of the country is oriented toward a humanist stance in a framework of freedom, solidarity and a clear state of law.

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According to Chilean authorities, the last 3 years of leftist coalition rule were years of deepening national crisis in which the economy was destroyed, social anarchy prevailed and institutions severely strained, in addition to the efforts to spread throughout the nation the moral corruption that characterized the last government.

In order to overcome this inherited crisis and to move toward a prosperous future, the military authorities believe that the image of the new Chile must transcend anti-Marxist or anticapitalistic systems while searching for a road that will lead Chile to the conquest of "its great destiny." The new society proposed by the military junta, in which all divisionist positions created by partisan political, economic or social interests will be overcome, will be distinguished by its strong historic roots, its freedom, egalitarianism, fraternity and solidarity; all elements that will conform with the new constitution, which a team of middle-of-the-road and conservative jurists is now drafting at the behest of the government.

The proposed national objectives presuppose the establishment of an effective, modern and representative social democracy, eliminating poverty and projecting to the whole world a cultural, political and economic image of a new Chile. Regarding a general policy, the tendency will be to create a renewed society and a new man through the adequate exercise of authoritarian power but intimately linked with the invariable application of flexible, apolitical and regenerative national justice.

The action program outlines in general the policy to be implemented in all national political, economic and social activities. In politics the government will, at an unspecified date, reestablish the national system by drafting a new constitution that will provide adequate security for the new Chile. Until this happens, however, the government considers it necessary to enforce this partisan political moratorium due to present national conditions and to develop civic preparedness, especially among the youth. According to this plan, Chileans must become aware of the levels and range that partisan politics should have and of the damage caused when it interferes with national interests in pursuit of partisan goals.

Not included in the new system are political parties opposed to the government's democratic system, such as the leftist parties which were outlawed when the military junta took command. The system is meant to include only middle-of-the-road and conservative parties which have been recessed indefinitely by the authorities.

In economics, the general objective is to reach balanced development by increasing production and harmonious action by capital, labor and nature, because Chilean society is morally and materially in a crisis. In social areas the government will promote, encourage and improve the organization of the community, making the necessary legislative changes to secure social development closely linked with economic development.

BRIEFS

PRINTING OFFICE EXPROPRIATION--Santiago, Chile, 21 Feb--It was reported here today that the Horizonte printing office which was owned by the Communist Party of Chile will be transformed into an official publishing company to be named Minerva. The new publishing company will use the same machinery and shops which belonged to the outlawed Communist Party. [Buenos Aires LATIN in Spanish 0358 OMT 22 Feb 74 C]