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Further information on EXTRA 145/97 (AMR 22/07/97, 24 October 1997) - Fear for safety/Health concern

**CHILE Carlos GUTIÉRREZ
Rodolfo RETAMALES
Sergio VÁSQUEZ
and another 16 male political prisoners**

The 16 political prisoners transferred to the *Penal de Detención de Colina 2*, Colina 2 Prison, on 18 October 1997, have reportedly been returned to the *Carcel de Alta Seguridad* (CAS), maximum security prison, in Santiago.

Concern remains regarding the health of those political prisoners reportedly injured as a result of beatings administered during the transfer operation and held in isolation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/faxes/express/airmail letters in Spanish or your own language:

- expressing concern at the reported ill-treatment of Carlos Gutiérrez, Rodolfo Retamales and Sergio Vásquez and of those 16 male political prisoners transferred;
- asking for assurances that the political prisoners will not be subjected to further ill-treatment or reprisals;
- asking that independent doctors be given access to examine and treat those prisoners reportedly injured;
- asking for information concerning any medical attention provided to those injured.

APPEALS TO:

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and to diplomatic representatives of CHILE accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat,
or your section office, if sending appeals after 28 November 1997.