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BIOGRAPHIC DATA

CHILE
Gen Augusto PINOCHET Ugarte
January 1975

(U) NAME: Gen Augusto Pinochet Ugarte
(pee-noh-CHET), Army.

(U) POSITION: President (chief of state since 12
Sept 1973; position officially named President of
the Government Junta, 12 Sept 1973-June 1974;
Supreme Chief of the Nation and Head of the
Executive Branch June-Dec 1974; President since 18
Dec 1974); and Commander in Chief of the Army (since
24 Aug 1973).



(U) 1973

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(b)(1) [REDACTED] He became President and the strongest member of the
Government Junta (composed of the four service commanders) following the
11 Sept 1973 military coup, the first in Chile since 1931, which overthrew
the government of Marxist-Socialist Salvador Allende Gossens (President,
1970-1973). In June 1974, the Junta structure changed and Pinochet became
head of the executive branch of the government, while continuing as head of
the Junta, which became the legislative branch. [REDACTED] (b)(1)

[REDACTED] The Junta abolished Congress and all political
parties but claims to be moving towards a return to democracy. It is
most concerned with rebuilding Chile, especially the economy; [REDACTED] (b)(1)

~~(S/NFD)~~ POLITICS:

~~(S/NFD)~~ International: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He shares the common concern of most
Chilean Army officers over the threat of a possible invasion of Chile by
Peru. Pinochet has served as an Instructor at the Ecuadorean Army War
College and has travelled to Mexico and the Canal Zone. (b)(1)

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~~(S/NFD)~~ PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 25 Nov 1915 in Valparaíso, Chile.

~~(S/NFD)~~ Family: Wife, Lucía Hierriart Rodríguez de Pinochet (born about 1926; of French ancestry; Roman Catholic; married about 1943;

(b)(1)

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Children (5): Lucía (f), born about 1944; Augusto (m), born about 1946; María Verónica (f), born about 1950; Marco Antonio (m), born about 1957; Jacqueline Marie (f), born about 1959.

~~(S/NFD)~~ Description: Caucasian. Large build (5'10", 180 lbs); dark brown hair, green eyes, oval face; fair complexion; has a mustache; wears glasses for reading; quiet;

(b)(1)

Member of Geographic Society of Chile. He is well known as a military geographer and has authored three geography books, at least one of which is used as a secondary-school textbook.

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(U) Languages: Native Spanish, some French and English.

(U) Religion: Roman Catholic.

(U) Decorations: Colombian Order of Merit General José María Córdoba. Ecuadorean Abdón Calderón Star (Gold). Peruvian Military Order of Ayacucho. Chilean Military Star of the Armed Forces (Grand Star for Military Merit, for 30 years' service); Goddess Minerva Medal; Minerva Medal.