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2. BELIEVES THAT THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT IS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN LETELIER'S DEATH AND FEELS THAT INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE INCIDENT WILL SO INDICATE.

HIS CRITICISM OF THE CURRENT CHILEAN GOVERNMENT.

HAS POINTED TO COMMENTS MADE BY CHILEAN PRESIDENT AUGUSTO

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