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SUBJECT: CHILEAN REFUGEES IN ARGENTINA

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1. THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEGUN TO RECEIVE A NUMBER OF CONGRESSIONAL AND OTHER INQUIRIES REGARDING THE LOT OF CHILEAN REFUGEES IN ARGENTINA, INCLUDING, AMONG OTHERS, EDGARDO ENRIQUEZ, MARIO MUNOZ, AND ERNESTO BENADO. IN SOME CASES THE CORRESPONDENTS EXPRESS FEAR THAT THE REFUGEES WILL BE FORCIBLY REPATRIATED TO CHILE. IN OTHERS THEY ALLEGE TORTURE BY THE ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES. IN THE CASE OF MARIO MUNOZ, REPRESENTATIVE DONALD FRASER CLAIMS TO HAVE INFORMATION THAT HE "IS BEING SOUGHT BY ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES WITH THE INTENTION OF KILLING HIM."

2. THE DEPARTMENT PLANS TO ANSWER THE INQUIRIES ABOUT FORCIBLE REPATRIATION BY REFERRING TO THE ASSURANCES GIVEN BY FOREIGN MINISTER GUZZETTI TO THE UNHCR. THE DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUGGESTIONS THE EMBASSY MAY HAVE AS TO HOW TO REPLY TO THE OTHER INQUIRIES. IS IT ACCURATE TO SAY THAT WE HAVE NO CONFIRMED REPORTS THAT ANY CHILEAN REFUGEES IN ARGENTINA HAVE BEEN ARRESTED OR DEPORTED BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT? IS THERE ANYTHING WE CAN SAY ABOUT THE GOA'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THEM? KISSINGER
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