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COUNTRY: CHILE

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SUBJECT: INCONCLUSIVE MEETING OF HIGH RANKING CHILEAN MILITARY OFFICERS TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF A MILITARY COUP AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.

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, A STRONG SUPPORTER OF
SPENT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JORGE A L E S S A N D R I , BY
GENERAL CARLOS G U E R R A T Y , AIR FORCE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF (CINC).
GENERAL GUERRATY COMMENTED THAT HE WAS MAKING THIS INFORMATION
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DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE MILITARY.)

2. DURING THE AFTERNOON OR EARLY EVENING OF 5 SEPTEMBER 1973 HIGH RANKING CHILEAN MILITARY OFFICERS, INCLUDING GENERAL RENE DOMINGUEZ, ARMY CINC; [REDACTED] E.O. 13526, section 3.3(b)(1) [REDACTED] GENERAL CARLOS PRATS, CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF NATIONAL DEFENSE; AND GENERAL VICENTE NUERTA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE CORPS OF CARABINEROS; MET AT GUERRAY'S HOME TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF A MILITARY COUP AGAINST THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE INAUGURATION OF SOCIALIST SENATOR SCHNEIDER ALENDE AS PRESIDENT OF CHILE. THE DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND THE POSSIBILITY OF FLYING PRESIDENT EDUARDO FREI TO ANOTHER COUNTRY, HAVING A MILITARY JUNTA, AND THEN CONVOKING NEW PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. ALTHOUGH MOST OF THOSE PRESENT AT THE MEETING WERE OF THE OPINION THAT SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE TO PREVENT ALLENDE'S ASSUMPTION TO THE PRESIDENCY, THE MEETING ENDED ON AN INCONCLUSIVE NOTE. GENERAL SCHNEIDER WAS OPPOSED TO A MILITARY COUP.

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