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SITUATION: CHILE
SUBJECT CATEGORY: COUP

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

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FM AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

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TAGS: CI, PINT, MILI

SUBJ: CHILEAN MILITARY UPRISING: SITREP #17 - 1630 HOURS

1. AT 1515 CALL RECEIVED AT EMBASSY FROM MAJOR VIOAL AT MINDEF

ASKING IF EMBASSY COULD ESTABLISH VOICE CONTACT LINK WITH GEN

RODRIGUEZ, CHILEAN MIL ATT AT WASHINGTON FOR GEN PINOCHET.

OUR DATT SAID HE WOULD CHECK WHETHER IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE

TO SEND MESSAGE BUT TOLD VIOAL HE HAD NO VOICE CONTACT WITH

WASHINGTON. MAJOR VIOAL SAID GEN PINOCHET WANTED DIRECT

CONFERENCE WITH GEN RODRIGUEZ AND ASKED US CALL IF HE GAINED

VOICE CONTACT WITH WASHINGTON.

2. EACH OFFICER IN MINDEF CLAIMS THAT ARGENTINA RECOGNIZED

THE NEW MILITARY GOVERNMENT AT 1400 HOURS TODAY. WE DO

NOT HAVE CONFIRMATION OF THIS.

3. SAME SOURCE REPORTS THAT ALLENDE IS DEAD.

4. ARMED FORCES RADIO NET AT 1605 BROADCAST STATEMENT OF INTENTION

TO RETURN CHILE TO INSTITUTIONAL NORMALCY, HELP COUNTRY RECOVER

FROM DISASTROUS ECONOMIC SITUATION, AND VIOLENCE AND POSSIBILITY

OF CIVIL WAR, AND PROTECT SOCIAL GAINS OF WORKERS.

5. EDICT # 13 STATES A) ALL BANK ACCOUNTS FROZEN,

B) NO BANK PAYMENTS TO BE MADE, C) FAILURE TO OBTAIN THESE

ORDERS PUNISHABLE BY JAIL OR FINE.

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