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Your Excellency

To my dismay I heard of the arrestation of several people on November 2nd in Curico

It deals with

SERGIO EDWARD MARTINEZ	38 years-old, married, living in Santiago
FRANCISCO MORADA PEREZ	22 years-old, married,
PARICIO GOMEZ	22 years-old, married

and 12 other persons whose names aren't known.

They are kept in the "Regimiento de Curici". The condition there are very bad.

Now I entreat you to prevent or stop any torture at the prisoners. Since July more than 2 000 people were abducted and murdered. So I'am very anxious about Sergio Martinez and the 12 other persons because their names are mentioned. As is well known especially such people are surrendered to the arbitrariness of the state.

Therefore I demand to respect their fundamental rights each person was given by God.

That means: Torture means any act by which severe pain of suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted by or at the instigation of a public official on a person for such purposes as obtaining from him or a third person information or confession, punishing him for an act he has committed or is suspected of having committed, or intimidating him or other persons. It does not include pain or suffering arising only from, inherent in or incidental to, lawful sanctions to the extent consistent with the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners.

Yours respectfully

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