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NO STATE OF SIEGE

NO CENSORSHIP

FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS

AN END TO TORTURE

PICKET FOR LIFE AND LIBERTY
IN CHILE

At The Chilean Embassy
12, Devonshire St,
London, W1

Time 12.00 noon to 2.00pm

On Friday 30th November

Bring banners and placards

STATE OF SIEGE DECLARED IN CHILE

On Tuesday 6th November General Pinochet declared a State of Siege in Chile. It is the first time that a State of Siege has been in operation since the first 5 years after the bloody military coup, which brought Pinochet to power in 1973. The implications of this declaration for human rights and democracy in the country are therefore very grave. According to the military's own Constitution, it can only be declared in the event of an "internal or external" war or "civil commotion" and in this respect can only be regarded as a declaration of war against the civilian population and the opposition movement in particular.

In the last months:-

- * Leaders of the opposition parties have been forced underground by raids and arrests at their offices.
- * Six opposition magazines have been banned by government Decree.
- * Two members of the opposition have died under torture.
- * The number of political prisoners has increased greatly.
- * Union offices have been raided and smashed.
- * 4000 people were arrested for interrogation at the Raul Silva Enriquez shanty-town.
- * 12 political prisoners face the death penalty in a military trial.
- * Church human rights worker Ignacio Gutierrez has been banned from re-entering the country.

ADD YOUR VOICE AGAINST THE MASSIVE INCREASE IN REPRESSION IN CHILE. Join the picket at the Chilean Embassy (see overleaf for details). Bring your banners and placards.

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