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LIST PUBLISHED OF 13,000 VICTIMS OF CURRENT

ARGENTINE MILITARY GOVERNMENT

The Argentine Information Service Center (AISC) has compiled a computerized list of almost 13,000 names of Argentine citizens and nationals of other Latin American countries who reside in Argentina. The list includes the names of people presently under detention by the Argentine military authorities as well as those who have been abducted or have died at the hands of the authorities and their collaborators. In terms of figures, 70% of the names represent those who have been abducted and "disappeared", 20% are known to be in detention centers and 5% have been killed by the authorities.

The AISC list was computed on the basis of names tabulated from a number of sources. These include: Jewish, Catholic and Protestant religious bodies, the Council on Hemispheric Affairs, Amnesty International, The Washington Office on Latin America, the Argentine Permanent Assembly for Human Rights and numerous international human rights organizations. It also comprises hundreds of testimonies sent by the families of those "disappeared", including the Mothers of Plaza de Mayo.

The list is an updated, expanded and corrected version of 3 previous AISC compilations. In September 1977, an AISC list of 3,500 names was sent to President Videla of Argentina by President Carter. In November 1977 an expanded one numbering 7,000 names was handed to high officials of the Argentine government by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance. And in March of this year, 10,000 names were handed to high officials of the Argentine government by the the U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires.

The new AISC list of 13,000 names is the result of 8 months of intensive investigation, compilation of new entries and the correction of previous lists. Approximately 800 names were voided on the previous list on the grounds of duplication, and incomplete data. Approximately 3,500 new names have been added.

Although far from complete, the AISC list is the most thorough documentation of repression in Argentina. Each listing has been authenticated by at least 2 independent sources. It provides pertinent information on each case, including in many instances individual identity numbers.

The list is available for inspection in the New York office of AISC and in Washington, D.C. at the offices of the Council on Hemispheric Affairs, 1735 New Hampshire Ave. N.W. Suite 504.

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