MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT
FROM:        Henry A. Kissinger
SUBJECT:    Covert Action Program -- CHILE

In addition to the actions outlined in my memorandum of November 25 (subject: Status Report on Chile), the 40 Committee has been reviewing a covert action program keyed to the overall policy towards Chile which you established at the NSC Meeting on November 5. The program has five principal elements:

1. Political action to divide and weaken the Allende coalition;

2. Maintaining and enlarging contacts in the Chilean military;

3. Providing support to non-Marxist opposition political groups and parties;

4. Assisting certain periodicals and using other media outlets in Chile which can speak out against the Allende Government; and

5. Using selected media outlets to play up Allende's subversion of the democratic process and involvement by Cuba and the Soviet Union in Chile.

The Committee approved development of the general plan proposed by CIA and a contingency budget, but will review each specific operation on a periodic basis.