



BIOGRAPHIC DATA

CHILE
Maj Gen Augusto PINOCHET Ugarte
August 1973

(U) NAME: Maj Gen Augusto Pinochet Ugarte
(pea-noh-CHET), Army.

(U) POSITION: Chief of Staff of the Army since
1 Jan 1972 and Acting Commander in Chief of the
Army since 9 Aug 1973.



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(U) Birth: 25 Nov 1915 in Valparaiso, Chile.

August 1973

(U) Languages: Native Spanish, some French and English.

(U) Religion: Roman Catholic.

(U) Decorations: Colombian Order of Merit General José María Córdoba. Ecuadoran Abdón Calderon Star (Gold). Chilean Military Star of the Armed Forces (Military Star, Star for Military Merit, Grand Star for Military Merit); Goddess Minerva; Minerva Medal.

(U) CIVIL EDUCATION: Secondary school. Attended a course on Judicial and Social Science at the University of Chile for 2 years (dates not known).

(U) CAREER:

- 1933-1935 - Cadet, Military Academy, Santiago. Commissioned Infantry.
- 1937-1938 - Assigned to 6th "Chacabuco" Infantry Regiment. Promoted to 2d Lt, 1937; to 1st Lt, 1938.
- 1939 - Assigned to 2d "Maipo" Infantry Regiment.
- 1940-1941 - Student, Infantry School, San Bernardo.
- 1942-1945 - Instructor, Army War College, Santiago. Promoted to Capt, 1946.
- 1947 - Assigned to 5th "Carampangue" Infantry Regiment, Iquique.
- 1948 - Government Delegate to the Schwager Coal Mines (merged with Lota Coal Mines in 1963), located near Concepción.
- 1948 - Assigned to 9th Infantry Regiment.
- 1949-1951 - Student, Command and General Staff Course, Army War College.
- 1952 - Assigned to Military Academy. Promoted to Maj, 1952.

- 1953 - Operations Officer, 4th "Rancagua" Infantry Regiment, Arica.
- 1954 - Instructor, Army War College.
- 1955 - Aide to Subsecretary for Army, Ministry of National Defense.
- 1956-1959 - Instructor, Military Geography, Ecuadoran Army War College, Quito.
- 1960 - Staff Officer, Headquarters, 1st Infantry Division, Antofagasta. Promoted to Lt Col, 23 Jan.
- 1961-1963 - Commander, 7th "Esmeralda" Infantry Regiment, Antofagasta.
- 1964-1968 - Deputy Commandant, Chilean Army War College, from Jan 1964. Member, U.S. and Canal Zone orientation tour, Jan-Feb 1965. Promoted to Col, 23 Jan 1966.
- 1968-1969 - Chief of Staff, 2d Army Division, Santiago, from Jan 1968. Participated in official tour of U.S., including the Canal Zone, Jan-Feb 1968. Promoted to Brig Gen, Dec 1968.
- 1969-1971 - Commander, 6th Army Division, Iquique. Promoted to Maj Gen, 30 Dec 1970.
- 1971-1972 - Commander, Santiago Garrison, Mar 1971-Jan 1972.
- 1972-Present - Chief of Staff of the Army from 1 Jan 1972. Acting Commander in Chief of the Army from 9 Aug 1973. Served as Acting Commander in Chief of the Army, Nov 1972-Mar 1973, and Apr-June 1973. Visited the Canal Zone, and Mexico, Sept 1972.



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ADDENDUM: On 11 Sept 1973 a joint-force military coup overthrew the government of President Allende. Gen Pinochet is now the President of the ruling Military Junta since 11 Sept 1973 and, concurrently, Commander in Chief of the Army since 24 Aug 1973. He was promoted to General on 24 Aug 1973.