

Chilean protesters demonstrate in Concepcion and march towards the capital



Santiago de Chile, November 1 (RHC)-- More than 10,000 people took to the streets on Thursday in the city of Concepcion, while others marched towards the capital in order to read an open letter with specific demands in front of the presidential palace.

The massive demonstration started from the Square of Independence, in the historical inner city of Concepcion, paralyzing traffic for a while, and moved towards the Palace of Tribunals.

A group of protesters split from the original march at the Limache metro station in Concepcion and started the 98-kilometer route towards the capital, Santiago de Chile. They are estimated to arrive on Friday next week, with several stops every two hours.

"The main objective of this march is to call attention to the fact that the regions are also involved in the national discontent against the government's public policies," said Leonardo Martinez, one of the march's organizers.

Although President Sebastian Piñera earlier this week changed eight members of his cabinet to lessen social discontent, Chileans are still marching everyday to reaffirm the main goal of the protests: the

president's immediate resignation and a new Constitution.

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