

Chile launches plan to search for people who disappeared during the dictatorship

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Santiago de Chile, August 30 (RHC)-- The Chilean government has launched the National Search Plan for the Detainees Disappeared during the military dictatorship of Augusto Pinochet. The program will start from the integration of the work done by truth commissions, courts of justice, victims' relatives and previous governments.

During a meeting with the foreign press, the Chilean Minister of Justice, Luis Cordero, explained that the objective of the plan is to know the conditions and circumstances in which the detentions and forced disappearances occurred during Pinochet's dictatorial regime. The Chilean minister affirmed that the plan is a form of reparation not only to the victims' families, but also to society.

The official ceremony will be headed by President Gabriel Boric and will take place in the Plaza de la Constitución in the Chilean capital, Santiago, on the occasion of the International Day of the Victims of this crime against humanity.

The launching of the search plan coincides with the 50th anniversary of the fascist military coup d'état against then President Salvador Allende, which is remembered as one of the darkest moments in the history of the South American country.

President Gabriel Boric stated on September 11, 2022 that the whereabouts of 1,192 disappeared detainees of the Pinochet dictatorship were still unknown. More than 3,200 people were killed or disappeared during the 17 years of military dictatorship. Hundreds of families still do not know the whereabouts of their relatives.

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