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REPLY TO
ATTN OF
CON - Jayne L. Kobiskaje

SUBJECT: Ambassador Barnes/Minister del Valle Appointment on April 10, 1987

TO: POL - John Keane

I recall you are coordinating suggested topics for the Ambassador's appointment with Jaime del Valle which is to take place on April 10.

Attached are copies of Diplomatic Notes -- incoming and outgoing -- pertaining to the Weisfeiler case. The inadequacy of the Ministry's reply to our Notes of August 26, 1986 and January 6, 1987 should be addressed. The "Mickey Mouseing" around we've done on this case with this government is disgraceful and though I think forcefulness should have been applied a long time ago, it wasn't. Thus, it is now important that the Ambassador bring up the Weisfeiler matter with del Valle. The Chilean Government's solution of this case could be an expression of its' honest attempt to clean up their human rights act. If they continue to evade the matter, one would have to question their good intent. I believe this should be placed before del Valle in this context.

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