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Ambassador Radomiro Tomic
Embassy of Chile
1736 Massachusetts Ave.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Rade:

Thank you for your invitation for the reception that President Frei will give for President Johnson on February 2nd, as well as for the invitation to the reception in New York City on February 6th. This is to tell you and Olaya that I accept in advance with joy and pleasure.

I was so shocked by the news yesterday that I called Olaya. I pray with all my heart that the picture will change in the next few days.

I took the liberty of suggesting to Olaya that the Embassy invite Ambassador Marietta Tree who you will remember was one of our Delegation to the Insuguration in 1964, and a dear friend of our beloved Stevenson. She tells me that Frei is her "greatest hero", and I know she would appreciate being remembered. I forgot to tell Olaya that it will only be possible for Mrs. Tree to go to the reception in New York because of her duties at the United Nations.

Rade, I'm enclosing a copy of a letter I wrote to President Frei which is self-explanatory. I had the enormous privilege of being invited to spend two days at the Abbey of Gethsemani to visit Thomas Merton - thanks to my loving Godfather. As you probably know, Tom Merton is now a Hermit and sees almost no one. Among the thousand things we talked about, Gabriela and Chile and Frei were often on our tongues. I hope Frei received the letter because I am sure he would want to know about this unusual invitation.

I will be in Washington on January 26th on other business, and I will call you at that time.

Un abrazo muy cariñoso,

Doris Dana

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