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MRS. ALLENDE'S ATTACK AGAINST SECRETARY KISSINGER WAS CARRIED IN "LA TERCERA" BUT NOT IN "EL MERCURIO".

5. IN TAKING THE EXAGGERATED POSITION IT HAS ON THE REVELATIONS, EL MERCURIO HAS LEFT ITSELF VULNERABLE TO BEING EMBARRASSED AND CONTRADICTED BY STATEMENTS (SUCH AS THE PRESIDENT'S) THAT ARE MORE ACCURATE PRESENTATIONS OF WHAT WENT ON IN CHILE PRE-COUP. EL MERCURIO MAY WELL HAVE TAKEN THIS POSITION BECAUSE, BESIDES THEIR RIGHT-WING VIEWS, THE CURRENT MANAGEMENT IS GENUINELY IGNORANT OF THE FUNDING THAT TOOK PLACE WHEN FUBRIG-2 WAS RUNNING THE SHOW. FUBRIG-2 [REDACTED] HAS TOLD COS THAT NO ONE CURRENTLY AT EL MERCURIO KNOWS OF FUNDING. EVEN CURRENT MINISTER OF ECONOMY LENIZ DOES NOT KNOW DETAILS BUT HAD SUSPICION ABOUT INFUSION OF FUNDS THAT TOOK PLACE IN U.P. ERA. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO MONITOR INTERNAL EL MERCURIO REACTION THROUGH FUBRIG-2.

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