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Chile Junta Takes Over University

SANTIAGO — (AP) —

The military junta, autono- Chile's traditionally auto- nomous university system "a focus of Marxist teaching," is firing all university heads to replace them with its own people.

Within 10 days, a rector, delegate appointed by the new regime will take over each of the seven campuses of the University of Chile while the government draws up a reorganization pro- gram, the junta announced.

"I respect the measure, I accept it, but I also lament it," said Edgardo Boeninger, the university's head rector, after meeting with the junta Friday night.

The shakeup thus puts an end to one of Chile's most

versity autonomy against respected institutions — un- outside interference. The au- tonomy had been guaran- teed by law.

Professors, students and other employes elected the rectors in past years, the po- lice couldn't enter university campuses without permis- sion from university offi- cials.

The junta said it decided to reorganize the universi- ties "after a lengthy analy- sis of the grave conflicts and problems which had practically, in recent years, ended normal class activ- ity."

During the nearly three years of Marxist President Salvador Allende's leftist government, the universities

were torn by political con- ings were alternately occu- pied by right-wing and left-wing students. Leftist extremists occupied the university television station for eight months in the name of "the working class."

The University of Chile, which currently has 125,000 registered students, was po- liticized long before Allende took office in 1970.

His Christian Democratic predecessor, Eduardo Frei, made a futile attempt to take politics out of the uni- versities with legislation to reorganize and modernize the campuses. But the con- gress defeated the bill. The junta has closed the con- gress.

The extremist revolution- ary left movement, known as MIR and now outlawed along with Marxist political parties, was born in 1965 at the Concepcion campus of the university.

A number of university students are among nearly 6,000 persons still being held in a makeshift detention center in the capital's Na- tional Stadium while interro- gation to root out Marxists continues.

The junta has a most wanted list of leftist fugi- tives and is offering a \$1400 reward to those who de- nounce them.

The junta said that Luis Corvalan, 57, the leader of Chile's Communists, is now imprisoned in a special cell

at the army's suburban mili- tary academy. He was ar- rested Thursday night in Santiago and was one of the top figures on the list.

The junta gave little other information on Corvalan ex- cept to say he would have to answer for arms caches found by troops at party offi- ces following the coup. He could be sentenced to a fir- ing squad by a military tri- bunal.

Phone Fest

LONDON — (AP) — A blown fuse in telephone ex- change equipment permitted callers from booths at Lor- don's Heathrow Airport to phone without paying, an of- ficial reported.