

Protesters carrying placards with messages

of solidarity with Chile and Luis Corvalan, the general secretary of the

Communist Party of Chile

Date

1973-1973

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Luis Alberto Corvalán Lepe (1916 – 2010) was a Chilean politician. He served as the general secretary of the Communist Party of Chile. On September 11, 1973, General Augusto Pinochet led a military Coup and Corvalán was among the many arrested. After the murder of Víctor Jara, he was the most prominent political prisoner in Chile. During his imprisonment (1973-74) Corvalan received the Lenin Peace Prize; and in 1976 the USSR granted him political asylum. He returned in Chile in 1988. He headed the Communist Party of Chile for thirty years.

Dimensions

Overall: 20.2 x 30.3 cm (8 x 11 7/8 in.)