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## The PCE salutes the Chilean people in commemoration of Salvador Allende's birthday

Today, June 26, the Chilean people and many others outside the country remember Salvador Allende on the 112<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his birth. His memory, which also contains the struggles of various generations of political and social activists, is still alive today, a century later.

Chile is facing very hard times. The overwhelming majority of the population live in precarious conditions due to a neoliberal model imposed by fire and sword during the civil-military dictatorship. Since October 18 last year, millions of Chileans have rebelled against this model —which has reached a boiling point— amidst a wave of brutal repression. These protesters achieved a victory: for the first time in more than two centuries of republican history, the right-wing powers agreed to initiate a constituent process, which will materialize in the referendum that will take place next October after being postponed.

The right-wing government led by Sebastián Piñera has tackled the pandemic dreadfully, which has positioned Chile among the hardest-hit countries and has dragged its citizens into a real social and economic drama. In this harsh situation, the Communist Party of Spain, as it has often done, wants to show its fraternal solidarity to the Communist Party of Chile and the Chilean people who have grown under the example of Allende. September 4 will mark 50 years since the historical victory of Salvador Allende in the presidential elections, which opened the way to a singular revolutionary experience that was only overthrown by force –after the conspiracy of fascism, the right-wing parties, the leadership of Christian Democracy and the big economic groups,





along with the financial support, the destabilization and the economic blockade set up by Washington.

In the face of the democratic challenges that loom ahead for the Chilean people, the memory of Allende and the popular movement, which were able to open the doors of History, are more necessary than ever so that the great avenues will open again forever.

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