

# Glossary

**CNI** Central Nacional de Informaciones (National Information Centre) the Chilean state security service, 1977–90

**Compañero/a** Comrade

**Concertación** Concertación de Partidos por la Democracia A coalition of centre-left parties in Chile founded in 1988. Presidential candidates under its banner won every election from when military rule ended in 1990 until the conservative candidate Sebastián Piñera won the Chilean presidential election in 2010

**Detainee** The name universally applied in Latin America to individuals secretly held by the state

**Detained-disappeared** The name universally applied in Latin America by the human rights movement to political detainees in the context of state terrorism, and presumed murdered by the state

**DINA** Dirección de Inteligencia Nacional, the Directorate of National Intelligence, Pinochet's first state security and secret police service, established 1 November 1973

**Extermination** used by Latin American and other state authorities to describe the violent disposal of political enemies

**Frentistas** Followers of 'El Frente', an extreme left group dedicated to armed opposition during the Pinochet years

**MIRista** Member of the political party el MIR (Movimiento de Izquierda Revolucionaria, Movement of the Revolutionary Left), particularly marked for destruction by Pinochet in the first years after the coup

**Pinochetistas** Followers of General Augusto Pinochet, head of Chile's military government, 1973–90

**Politically executed** Commonly used Latin American phrase to distinguish between the detained-disappeared and those whose bodies have been found

**Rodriguistas** Members of 'El Frente Rodriguista', an extreme left group dedicated to armed opposition during the Pinochet years

**Site of conscience** Term used by the human rights movement to describe centres of torture or execution, usually carried out by the state

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