

## New Pope Tied to Argentina's Dirty War

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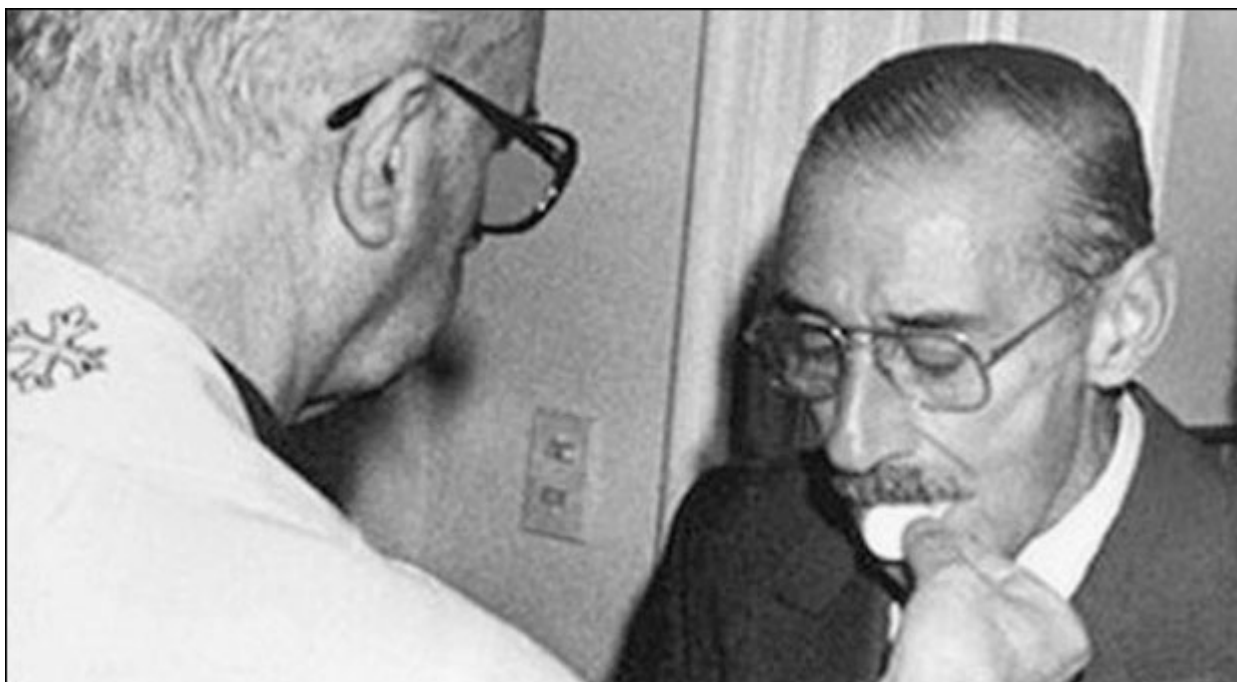
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*Jorge Mario Bergoglio, the former Archbishop of Buenos Aires who was elected Pope by the papal conclave on Wednesday, was intimately involved in Operation Condor's "Dirty War" in South America.*

A product of Chile's DINA secret police and five other national security states in Latin America — Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay - Operation Condor was an intelligence operation designed to monitor, assassinate and disappear leftist dissidents who threatened the bankster economic operation in South America.



communion to Jorge Rafael Videla, the brutal Argentine dictator.

The brutal dictator of neighboring Chile, Gen. Augusto Pinochet, went so far as to export his murder operation to the United States. On September 21, 1976, a former minister of the Chilean Allende government — overthrown in a [CIA sponsored coup](#) — was [murdered on the streets of Washington, D.C.](#), along with his American aide, Ronni Moffitt.

[Business Insider](#) mentions an article by [Hugh O'Shaughnessy](#) posted on the London Guardian website on January 4, 2011. He takes the Catholic Church to task for the role it played in Operation Condor and, ultimately, the disappearance and murder of over 30,000 South Americans. He cites Argentine author [Horacio Verbitsky](#), who documented the summary execution of thousands of political dissidents. The preferred method of murder was to push dissidents from airborne Argentine military planes into the waters of the Rio de

la Plata or the Atlantic Ocean.

[Verbitsky] recounts how the Argentine navy with the connivance of Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio, now the Jesuit archbishop of Buenos Aires, hid from a visiting delegation of the Inter-American [Human Rights](#) Commission the dictatorship's political prisoners. **Bergoglio was hiding them in nothing less than his holiday home in an island called El Silencio in the River Plate.** The most shaming thing for the church is that in such circumstances Bergoglio's name was allowed to go forward in the ballot to choose the successor of John Paul II. What scandal would not have ensued if the first pope ever to be elected from the continent of America had been revealed as an accessory to murder and false imprisonment.

Biographer, Sergio Rubin, described Bergoglio's behavior not so much as complicity as pragmatism. "Rubin said failing to challenge the dictators was simply pragmatic at a time when so many people were getting killed, and attributed Bergoglio's later reluctance to share his side of the story as a reflection of his humility," the [Associated Press](#) reported on Wednesday after the 76-year old "austere Jesuit intellectual" was elected pontiff.

Moreover, a human rights lawyer, Myriam Bregman, tried to bring Bergoglio to court for the role he allegedly played in the betrayal of two Jesuit priests kidnapped and handed over to an Argentine death squad. The priests were instructed "to leave their pastoral work" following divisions within the Society of Jesus, a Catholic order controlled by the Argentine elite. The Jesuits made the fatal mistake of criticizing the Catholic Church and its close relationship to the military junta (see [Michel Chossudovsky](#)'s article on Pope Francis and the connection to Operation Condor and the Dirty War).

"Bergoglio twice invoked his right under Argentine law to refuse to appear in open court, and when he eventually did testify in 2010, his answers were evasive," [El Mundo](#) reported in November, 2010.

### **Bergoglio Led Church During Economic Reign of Chicago Boys**

Bergoglio headed up the Catholic church during the successful effort by the globalists to dismantle Argentina's economy.

The country's military dictatorship was supported by Wall Street bankers and David Rockefeller. "One of the key appointments of the military junta (on the instructions of Wall Street) was the Minister of Economy, Jose Alfredo Martinez de Hoz, a member of Argentina's business establishment and a close friend of David Rockefeller," writes [Michel Chossudovsky](#). "The neoliberal macro-economic policy package adopted under Martinez de Hoz was a 'carbon copy' of that imposed in October 1973 in Chile by the Pinochet dictatorship under advice from the 'Chicago Boys', following the September 11, 1973 coup d'Etat and the assassination of president Salvador Allende."

Under the helm of Minister of Economy Jose Alfredo Martinez de Hoz, central bank monetary policy was largely determined by Wall Street and the IMF. The currency market was manipulated. The Peso was deliberately overvalued leading to an insurmountable external debt. The entire national economy was precipitated into bankruptcy.

The IMF and World Bank wrecking ball accomplished its task in South America with predictable result — massive misery, poverty, malnutrition and death.

“Pinochet did not destroy Chile’s economy all alone,” writes [Greg Palast](#) of the disaster that unfolded in Chile. “It took nine years of hard work by the most brilliant minds in world academia, a gaggle of Milton Friedman’s trainees, the Chicago Boys. Under the spell of their theories, the General abolished the minimum wage, outlawed trade union bargaining rights, privatized the pension system, abolished all taxes on wealth and on business profits, slashed public employment, privatized 212 state industries and 66 banks and ran a fiscal surplus.”

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