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International News Summary

ARGENTINA: A protest against anti-gay police violence in Argentina, which took place outside the Argentine embassy in Vienna this summer during the International Lesbian & Gay Association annual conference, has led to a new reign of police terror in Buenos Aires, according to London's THE PINK PAPER. Since early September, Argentinean bars, discos, clubs and meeting places have reportedly been violently raided and emptied of gays. "Buenos Aires has never known anything like this before," said Emmanuel Valido of *Comunidad Homosexual Argentina* [CHA]. "We are being beaten and wounded as a direct answer to our public protest." CHA members say they have no money to hire lawyers, and are sending out another urgent appeal for solidarity. Inflation in Argentina is more than 1000% annually.

To help, write Dr. Carlos Menem, Presidente de la Nación, Balcarce 50, CP 1064 Buenos Aires, Argentina. Send a copy to: Argentine Ambassador, 1600 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC; and to CHA, Rodriguez Peña 681 - 2do. Piso - Depto. 5, Código Postal 1020, Buenos Aires. Demand an end to anti-gay violence and the abolition of article 5, paragraph 1 of Law 333/58 of the Argentine Penal Code, which concerns "access to personal data" and "publicly soliciting for the purpose of sex." Financial support in the form of an American Express money order made out to CHA president Alejandro Zalazar is also needed at the CHA address above. *Do not put CHA's name on the envelope, or money order.*

AUSTRALIA: Two thousand anti-gay Christians and 5,000 angry homosexuals reportedly clashed in Sydney Oct. 2 as the fundamentalists' "Festival of Light" parade

bourne, a major gay/lesbian art exhibition opened and radio station 3CR ran a 20-hour gay radiothon. An "after work" Stonewall Party was thrown in Adelaide's St. John's Hall. Highlights included a huge birthday cake and Vicki Verca's rendition of "I Am What I Am." And in Sydney, the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence 'elevated' several new saints at a Stonewall dinner organized by the Gay Solidarity Group.

AUSTRIA: "Homosexuality In Austria," the first book ever published here about

Essence Shampoo, according to RITES.

CANADA: Canadian cities celebrating gay/lesbian pride week included Halifax, Nova Scotia; Winnipeg, Manitoba; Edmonton, Alberta; Ottawa, Ontario; and Toronto. On July 1 in Halifax, about 200 people marched through downtown to protest the provincial government's refusal to include sexual orientation in the province human rights code. Some of the marchers wore disguises for fear of losing their jobs. In Winnipeg, 125 persons marched and 150 attend-



The Argentina protest (left) and CHA's Valido. Photos by Rex Wockner

gays, appeared in March under the sponsorship of Homosexual Initiative Vienna. Thirty-three authors contributed to the German-language compilation. It is available for

ed a dance. Manitoba has had a gay rights law for two years. Edmonton events included a Lynn Lavner concert and a mock proclamation of pride week at City Hall.