

DRUDGE RETORT

Slovakia Vs. The Cato Institute

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In the early 2000's, the co-chairman of the Cato Institute's Project on Social Security Privatization, José Piñera, played a key role advising and overseeing Slovakia's mass pension privatization, which passed in 2003 under the free-market government of Mikulas Dzurinda. Today, Slovakia's retirees are groaning under the austerity pain administered to them by the Cato Institute.

José Piñera, who has led Cato's Social Security Privatization Project since the 1990s, has a dark history of administering pain on a nationwide scale: Piñera served in the military junta under Chile's Generalissimo Augusto Pinochet, first as Pinochet's Minister for Labor, helping suppress unions in one of the most brutal dictatorships in the world; later, Piñera oversaw Pinochet's radical privatization of Chile's pension program.