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Miami, August 22nd, 2011 – HBO Latin America announced the September 4th premiere of the new original series, Prófugos (Fugitives) in Latin America. The series, filmed entirely in Chile, centers around a failed drug trafficking operation that sparks a frantic pursuit of four men who find themselves forced to find refuge throughout Chilean territory, as they flee from both the mafia and the law.

“The premiere of Prófugos shows HBO’s commitment to producing innovative and relevant projects that spotlight the region’s artistic and technical talents,” stated Luis F. Peraza, HBO LA’s Executive Vice President of Original Production. “We are excited for our subscribers to experience, first-hand, the tension and suspense evoked by this premium action-drama.”

The four Prófugos – Vicente Ferragut (Nestor Cantillana), Alvaro “Tegui” Parraguez (Benjamin Vicuña), Oscar Salamanca (Francisco Reyes) and Mario Moreno (Luis Gnecco) – are contracted by Kika Ferragut (Claudia Di Girolamo) to ground transport a liquid cocaine shipment from the border of Bolivia to the Chilean port of Iquique. Nevertheless, in the midst of the final delivery, a shot rings out from a nearby terrace, unleashing a violent ambush.

A complex web of ambitions, interests and corruption drives this story, where no one is what they seem, where everyone hides a past and where sheer desperation unites an unlikely foursome before the critical need to escape. The four Prófugos flee without knowing exactly who pursues them, meanwhile doing everything possible to protect their families and loved ones from growing threats. Every moment is key in deciding their uncertain future.

Vicente is the heir to the Chilean Ferragut cartel and becomes involved in the operation after being pressured by his mother, Kika, who leads her late husband’s drug trafficking business from jail; Tegui, introduced as a professional in the crime world, is the newest member of the Ferragut cartel; the gravely ill Oscar is a failed idealist who joins the operation in order to secure an economic future for his daughter; and Mario, a man known for his violent temper, is a trusted aid to the Ferragut

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clan though he hides a turbulent past.

The cast of Prófugos also includes: Blanca Lewin, Aline Kuppenheim, Luis Dubo, Marcelo Alonso, Amparo Noguera, Angelica Castro, Hector Morales and Camila Hirane, among others.

Prófugos was filmed over a 6-month period in High Definition format; featured locations include a variety of majestic landscapes in Iquique, Valparaíso, Santiago, Farellones, Puerto Montt and other Chilean cities and desert regions that share border with Bolivia.

Consisting of 13 episodes, Prófugos was produced by Luis F. Peraza and Roberto Rios of HBO Latin America Originals, along with Pablo Larrain, Juan de Dios Larrain, Cristian de la Fuente and Rodrigo Flores of Efetres-Fabula Productions. General Direction was led by Pablo Larrain (Fuga, Tony Manero, Post Mortem). Other directors include Javier Patron (Capadocia) and Jonathan Jakubowicz (Secuestro Express). Members of the the writing team include Pablo Illanes, Josefina Fernandez, Mateo Iribarren and Enrique Videla.

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