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RED TAG

January 16, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

CHARLES LEPPERT, JR.

SUBJECT:

Hill Briefings on Angela and South Kosea

Attached for your information is a copy of the Dear Celleague letter to all Members of the House of Representatives concerning a briefing on Angela to be held on Monday, January 19, 1976, at 2 p.m. in Room 2255 RHOB and a copy of a memo to Members of the House Committee on International Relations concerning a briefing on the Solarz-Fraser amendment on gradual U.S. treep withdrawal from South Kerea to be held at & p. m. Monday, January 19, 1976 in Room H-236, The Capitol.

cc: Friedersdorf Loeffler Jenka



Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

January 16, 1976

Dear Colleague:

As you know, there will be an important vote soon on whether to end U.S. involvement in Angola. We would like to invite you and your staff to a Congressional briefing on this issue.

The briefing will be held in room 2255 Rayburn House Office building from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday, January 19th. The panel of discussants will be drawn from Africa experts and the academic community. Speakers include John Marks of the Center for National Security Studies, who will speak on the history of CIA involvement in Angola; George Houser, Director, American Committee on Africa, who will speak on the historical background and present situation in Angola; and Professor Ron Walters of Howard University who will discuss the broader implications of U.S. policy towards southern Africa.

We are enclosing a schedule of the briefing which lists additional panel discussants. We urge you and your staff to attend.

Yours sincerely,

Michael J. Harrington

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BRIEFING FOR MUNELING OF CONCRESS ON THE WAR IN ANGOLA

To be held on Wanuary 19, 1976 from 2:00 to 5:06 p.m.

Place: 2255 Rayburn House Office Bldg.

2:00 - 2:15 The history of the U.S. covert actions in Angela, the role of the CIA, and the issue of covert war making.

John Marks, Associate, Center for National Security Studies, co-author of The CIA and the Colt of all elligence, former staff assistant to the Director, Linear of Intelligence and Research, State Department.

2:15 - 2:30 An analysis of the present situation in Angola: George Houser, Director, American Committee on Airica.

2:30 - 2:45 U.S. policy alternatives in southern Africa.

Ron: Walters, Professor of Political Science,

Roward University, President, African Heritage
Studies Association.

3:00 - 5:00 Panel discussion with speakers and a panel of experts including:

Richard J. Barnet, Co-Director, Institute for Policy Studies, author, Roots of War

Sean Gervasi, Professor, City University of New York

David Wiley, African Studies Department, University of Wisconsin

Courtland Cox, Associate, Center for National + Security Studies

Moderator: Ted Lockwood, Director, Washington Office on Africa

For further information contacts

The Washington Office on Africa, 546-7961 The Center for National Security Studies, 544-5330



Committee on International Relations

January 13, 1976

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TO: MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

FROM: Congressmen Stephen Solarz and Don Fraser

RE: Meeting with Professor Edwin O. Reischauer to discuss the Solarz-Franer amendment on gradual U.S. troop withdrawal

from South Korea

We have scheduled a meeting for Monday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m., in H-236 for Members and their staff to meet with Professor Reischauer and address questions to him regarding the Solarz-Fraser amendment for gradual U.S. troop withdrawal from South Korea. It is expected the Committee will consider this amendment on January 20, 1976.

Professor Reischauer is one of our foremost scholars on Asian affairs. He is currently professor of history at Harvard University. He served as our ambassador to Japan. Enclosed is a copy of the letter he sent to Congressman Frasar concerning our amendment.

The Solarz-Fraser amendment calls for a phased withdrawal of all U.S. military forces from South Korea with a significant reduction to be made as early as practicable but not later than fiscal year 1978. Removal of all forces would not take place until the "modernizing of the armed forces of the R.O.K. has been substantially completed and the R.O.K. has thereby achieved the military capacity to defend itself against an attack by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPROK)." The plan for withdrawal could be revised if the DPROK "significantly alters the military balance in a manner which impairs the defense capability of the R.O.K." Continuation of all forms of military aid and sales is dependent upon the President complying with the above amendment.

We hope you will be able to attend the meeting. Would you please call Jeanne Salvia on X55318 by Thursday, January 15, to advise as to whether or not you will be able to attend.



RED TAG

January 26, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF

THRU:

VERN LOEN

FROM:

CHARLES LEPPERT, JR.

SUBJECT:

Defense Appropriations Bill

Attached for your information is the position of Rep. George Mahon, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee on the Tunney Amendment to prohibit the use of defense funds for aid to Angola.

Attachment

cc: Tom Loeffler



THE DEFENSE BILL

by George Mahon, Chairman House Committee on Appropriations

Mr. Speaker, tomorrow the House will consider the final remaining amendment in disagreement to the Defense Appropriation Bill, amendment numbered 75 -- the amendment which the Senate adopted that prohibits the use of any funds in the bill for Angola.

The Senate action came so late in the last session, just hours before adjournment, that it was not possible for the House to take action at that time.

The problem before us tomorrow is what shall we do about the Senate amendment which provides that no funds in the \$90 billion plus Defense Appropriation Bill can be used for activities involving Angola except for an intelligence gathering nature.

Tomorrow, I shall make a motion to go to conference where we could attempt to work out this matter. However, it is apparent that a preferential motion will be made to concur in the Senate amendment. Under the rules of the House, the preferential motion will be voted on first.

Thus an up or down vote will occur at that point. Indications are that the motion to concur will be adopted by a wide margin.

I make no special plea for anyone to join me in voting against the Senate amendment. It is perfectly clear that the sentiment in Congress and in the Country is opposed to heavy involvement of the United States in Angola. Certainly I am opposed personally to heavy involvement of the United States in Angola. Of course, we must seek to avoid sending a signal to the Communist nations saying that we are going to withdraw from the world, that we no longer will attempt to exert any influence in

international matters, that we will take no note of Communist forces which undertake to take over governments by force and subversion. We must hope that neither friend nor foe will conclude that we are withdrawing from the real world or that we have forsaken our resolve to take whatever steps are in our own best interest in international matters.

I deplore the actions of the Soviet Union in transporting and supporting in excess of 8,000 Cuban troops to Angola. This is outrageous. It clearly points out the objectives of the Soviet Union to subvert other nations of the world. This may be the wave of the future in the eyes of the Soviets but our Nation must reject it.

Aside from Angola, let me say that the Defense Bill should have been enacted in mid-calendar 1975. We cannot afford to delay it any longer. We need to vote this matter up or down.

The House first passed the Defense bill on October 2, the authorization conference report not having been sent to the White House until September 26.

The House and Senate conferees agreed to the appropriation bill on December 10 and it passed the House on December 12 and went to the Senate where the Senate on December 19 agreed to the Conference Report and all the amendments in disagreement except Amendment No. 75, to which the Senate added the amendment on Angola.

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Defense Bill Cleared:

HOUSE APPROVES CUTOFF OF AID TO ANGOL

Rejecting a last-minute appeal by President Ford, the House Jan. 27 approved by a 323-99 vote a Senate amendment to the fiscal 1976 defense appropriations bill (HR 9861) barring further U.S. aid to any of the factions fighting in the Angolan civil war.

Congressional Quarterly that to their knowledge the White House had not approached those members before the Jan. 27 vote to organize a campaign against the Tunney amendment. (Ford views, Weekly Report p. 61)

On the morning of Jan. 27, the President sent a letter

13. HR 8069. Labor-HEW Appropriations, Fiscal 1976. Passage, over the President's Dec. 19, 1975, veto, of the bill to make fiscal 1976 appropriations of \$36,073,748,318 and transition period appropriations of \$8,953,070,000 for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education and Welfare and related agencies. Passed (thus enacting into law) 310-113: R 49-92; D 261-21 (ND 195-1; SD 66-20), Jan. 27, 1976. A two-thirds majority vote of those present and voting (282 in this case) is required to override a veto. A "nay" was a vote supporting the President's position. (Story, p. 221)

14. HR 9861. Defense Department Appropriations, Fiscal

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Office of the White House Press Secretary

STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

The President regrets the vote in the House today to prohibit the use of funds in the Defense Appropriations bill to assist the people of Angola in resisting Soviet/Cuban intervention in their country. By its action, the Congress has put the United States on record as refusing the request for help from an African people who seek nothing more than to decide for themselves their own political future free of outside intervention. The Congress has stated to the world that it will ignore a clear act of Soviet-Cuban expansion by brute military force into areas thousands of miles from either country. The consequences of this action can only result in serious harm to the interests of the United States.

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February 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF

THRU: VERN LOEN

FROM: CHARLES LEPPERT, JR.

SUBJECT: Angela

Rep. John McFall informs me that he discussed the question of aid for Angola with Rep. Lee Hamilton, a member of the House International Relations Committee. Hamilton stated that if the Administration made a request for aid to Angola that he felt the Committee would hold hearings on the bill.

McFall further stated that if aid to Angela is as important as the Administration says it is then the President should send up a request for providing aid to Angela, let the Committee hold its hearings and see if the bill can pass the House.



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THE WHITE HOUSE

TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 27, 1976

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I want to express to you and to your colleagues in the House my grave concern over the international consequences of the situation in Angola. In the absence of effective Western assistance, the two largest political movements in the country will be destroyed by Soviet armaments and a Cuban expeditionary force.

This imposition of a military solution in Angola will have the most profound long range significance for the United States. The US cannot accept as a principle of international conduct that Cuban troops and Soviet arms can be used for a blatant intervention in local conflicts, in areas thousands of miles from Cuba and the Soviet Union, and where neither can claim an historic national interest. If we do so, we will send a message of irresolution not only to the leaders of African nations but to United States allies and friends throughout the world.

The facts are clear. In the fall of 1974, the USSR began to increase its military assistance in Angola. During the period from March to December 1975, the Soviet Union and Cuba provided almost \$200 million in weapons and other military assistance to a minority faction in Angola. The Cubans have dispatched more than 10,000 combat troops, which are right now actively engaged in the effort to destroy opposing factions — factions which command the loyalties of more than 60% of the population and occupy a major part of Angola's territory. For the United States to turn its back on requests for help from these people would be an abdication of our responsibility to play a positive role in international affairs.

The United States has no intention of interfering in internal African affairs. The United States' objective in Angola is to enable the people of that land to determine for themselves their political future. Until the late summer of 1975 the US provided no military assistance to any group. Since then the United States has provided modest amounts of assistance to forces opposing the Soviet/Cuban-backed effort, solely to enable the indigenous majority to stabilize the military situation and to create conditions for a negotiated solution. As was demonstrated at the recent meeting of the Organization of African Unity, a clear majority of the sub-Saharan African countries clearly supported this effort to offset Soviet-Cuban intervention. The US assistance, small as it was, began to reverse the tide and block the Soviet-backed effort to take over the country by force. However, in September and October, the Soviet Union, with the help of a Cuban expeditionary force, massively escalated the conflict. In response the Administration sought, through

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consultation with the appropriate Congressional Committees, to gain approval for the reprogramming of \$28 million to continue our assistance. (The matter of our assistance in Angola was the subject of 25 separate contacts with eight Congressional Committees.) In concert with this proposal, the Administration launched a determined diplomatic effort to bring an end to the fighting and to find a means to bring about a negotiated settlement acceptable to all of the Angolan parties. Unfortunately, this effort was substantially undermined by the vote of the Senate in December 1975 to cut off US assistance to Angola.

As I have stated on a number of occasions, the US seeks no special advantage in Angola, nor are we opposed to the MPLA faction per se. Our sole objective has been to preserve the opportunity for this Angolan problem to be resolved by Angolans, and not through the application of brute military force by the Soviet Union and Cuba. I believe that resistance to Soviet expansion by military means must be a fundamental element of US foreign policy. There must be no question in Angola or elsewhere in the world, of American resolve in this regard. The response of the United States is a matter of fundamental concern to our friends and allies everywhere. The failure of the US to take a stand will inevitably lead our friends and supporters to conclusions about our steadfastness and resolve. It could lead to a future Soviet miscalculation based upon its perception of that resolve. It would make Cuba the mercenaries of upheavals everywhere.

I bring my most serious concerns over the course of events in Angola and the significance of a Soviet victory there to your attention. I strongly urge the House of Representatives to take them into account in its deliberations on Angola today and vote to disagree with the Senate amendment to the Defense Appropriations Act.

Sincerely,

GERALD R. FORD

Honorable Carl Albert
Speaker of the
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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