ACTION ALERT    UNITED STATES RECOGNITION OF RHODESIA

Clark MacGregor, who was until recently a close aide to the President, spoke over Rhodesian radio on November 27 saying, "In a free society such as ours, unnatural situations which are unpopular tend to be subject to change. So I am sure change will come - for the better. I can't predict how or when, but I rather expect that it will be sooner than most people realize." This statement gives us serious reason for concern that the Nixon administration may be thinking seriously about recognizing white-ruled Rhodesia, despite State Department denials.

WE MUST PROTEST THIS MOVE NOW. Please send a telegram or air mail letter to

1. President Nixon
   The White House
   Washington, D.C.

2. Senator Fulbright
   Senate Office Building
   Washington, D.C. 20510

3. Representative Bush
   United States Delegation
   United Nations
   New York, N.Y. 10017

This is the telegram that we are sending to the President today.

"Request you publicly repudiate Clark MacGregor's suggestion U.S. may recognize Rhodesia. Your support for law and order should include support for United Nations sanctions. We should not be the first country in world to recognize government by a tiny white minority."

Please TALK WITH THREE FRIENDS and ask them to join us in this action.

Please let us know what you have been able to do and who else you have contacted. We will keep you informed about further developments.

BACKGROUND

The United States has been moving closer to the Smith regime. We have been violating United Nations sanctions against Rhodesia during the last year by importing chromium, nickel, and asbestos.

Business interests have been pressing the Nixon administration to recognize Rhodesia and thus open up trade possibilities. Clark MacGregor, former White House Congressional liason, headed Nixon's re-election campaign and has now joined United Aircraft Corporation. He is being accompanied in Rhodesia by Richard Griggs, a Duluth, Minnesota corporate executive with interests in banking, iron ore, coffee, and automobile and electric industries. He said in 1959 that there is a "true picture of internal racial peace and healthy industrial development in Rhodesia."

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