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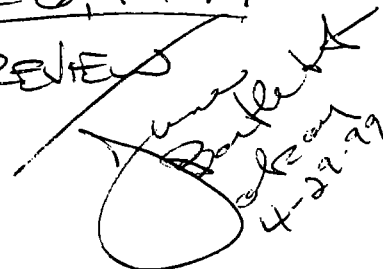
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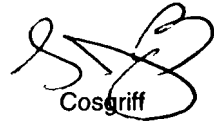
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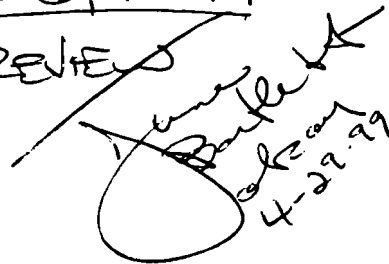
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The Honorable James E. Clyburn
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-4006

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The Honorable Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-1002

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The Honorable Corrine Brown
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-0903

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The Honorable Julia M. Carson
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-1410

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The Honorable Donna Christian-Christensen
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-5501

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The Honorable William "Bill" Clay
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-2501

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The Honorable Eva M. Clayton
House of Representatives
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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-2214

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The Honorable Elijah Cummings
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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Alcee L. Hastings
House of Representatives
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The Honorable William J. Jefferson
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The Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones
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The Honorable Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick
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The Honorable Sheila Jackson Lee
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-4318

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The Honorable John Lewis
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Washington, D.C. 20515-1005

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The Honorable Carrie P. Meek
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-0917

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The Honorable Gregory W. Meeks
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-3206

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The Honorable Juanita M. Millender-McDonald
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-0537

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The Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton
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The Honorable Major R. Owens
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The Honorable Donald M. Payne
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The Honorable Bobby L. Rush
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The Honorable Robert C. Scott
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The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson
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The Honorable Edolphus Towns
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-3210

THE WHITE HOUSE

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April 26, 1999

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The Honorable Maxine Waters
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The Honorable Melvin L. Watt
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The Honorable Albert Russell Wynn
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-2004

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April 26, 1999

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

SAMUEL BERGER
LARRY STEIN

SUBJECT:

Letter from the Congressional Black Caucus

Purpose

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Background

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Your response underscores our support for the peacemaking efforts of regional leaders and the work of our Ambassador to Sierra Leone, our Special Envoy on Liberia, and Reverend Jackson. You urge the CBC to support these diplomatic efforts with commensurate financial resources, including supporting your upcoming request for a reallocation of \$8.8 million in State and Defense Department resources to support ECOMOG.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letters at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Response to the CBC

Tab B Letter from the CBC

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

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106th Congress

Congressional Black Caucus of the United States Congress

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President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We would like to thank you very much for your dedication, support and keen interest in facilitating peace in Sierra Leone. We applaud your diplomatic efforts in the region undertaken by Special Envoy for the Promotion of Democracy in Africa, Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr. and Department of State West Africa Director, Howard Jeter, for initiating a dialogue between President Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, President of Sierra Leone, and members of the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council (AFRC)/Revolutionary United Front (RUF) to discuss a cessation of hostilities and to reach a political settlement. They were able to breathe life into a dormant process.

It has come to our attention that the peace process, however well intentioned, has been stalled for the past month. We are deeply concerned that the war continues to rage in Sierra Leone without any signs of a rejuvenation of the Peace Process. Therefore, we would like to request that you appoint a Special Envoy for Sierra Leone whose primary responsibility would be to travel to Sierra Leone and Lome, Togo, where the talks are scheduled to commence and help expedite and solidify this fragile peace process. Because of the long lineage and links between the United States and Sierra Leone, we would like to request that this person be an African-American. Our recommendations include such prominent leaders of the African-American community such as: General Colin Powell, Ret., former Member of Congress, Ronald Dellums, former Member of Congress and Past Envoy to Haiti, Bill Gray, Don McHenry and David N. Dinkins. There is an overwhelming consensus in the United States international affairs community in support of a Special Envoy, including the U.S. Committee for International Refugees, The International Rescue Committee, The Africa-America Institute, Africare, and the Constituency for Africa just to name a few.

Sierra Leone has experienced almost 30 years of mismanagement and corruption. We are committed to seeing sustained long-term peace in Sierra Leone. Support for peacekeeping and greater financial resources



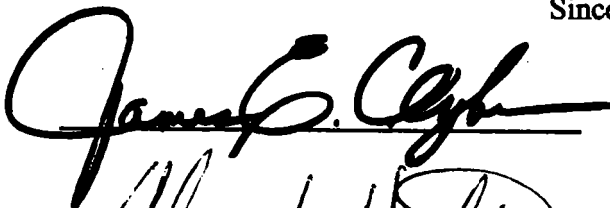
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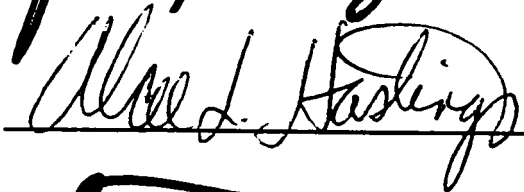
This will contribute to the long-term effectiveness of endorsements of regional arrangements relating to the maintenance of international peace and security. Because all countries in the region have a stake in the outcome, a neutral person would help to bridge the gap first between Sierra Leoneans themselves, and second amongst actors in the region. The Peace Process would bring those countries together that have real or perceived security threats to their sovereignty and territorial integrity in the region.

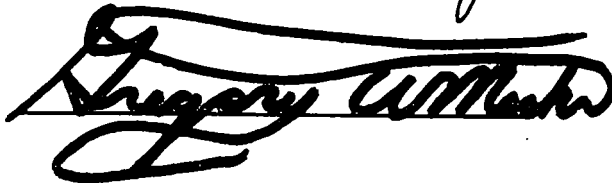
We feel it is imperative that the U.S. be consistent and balanced in our approach to conflict resolution in all regions of Africa. Within West Africa, we recommend that the United States' mediation efforts include Burkina Faso, whose government currently chairs the Organization of African Unity and well as other members of Economic Community of West African States including Liberia and that the selective imposition of punitive sanctions would only exacerbate the conflict at this stage.

There is a sense of emergency for all people in Sierra Leone. Without the United States' support in resolving this matter, we are convinced the absence of attention would only further the division already on the ground. We would like to call on the U.S. to take the lead in the international community and act expeditiously in order to bring long-term peace to Sierra Leone and put an end to what has become a continuous cycle of violence for many in West Africa. Once again, we would like to call on you to appoint a Special Envoy for Sierra Leone within the coming days. We look forward to your reply and thank you very much for your concern regarding this serious matter.

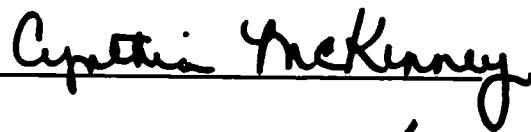
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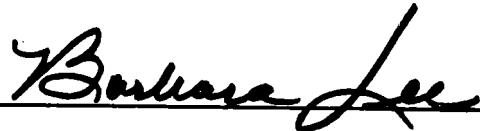












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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 7, 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR GLYN T. DAVIES
NSC Executive Secretariat

FROM: JANET MURGUIA
Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Attached are copies of letters sent to the President by various Members of Congress. Since these letters address national security issues, we would appreciate your assistance in drafting the responses.

Thank you very much for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call Eli Joseph at x67500.

The following is a brief description of the letters:

- 1) Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), concerning the current situation in Kosovo;
- 2) Sen. Bob Smith (R-NH), concerning the President's upcoming meeting with Zhu Rongji, Premier of the People's Republic of China, and American POW/MIAs from the Korean War;
- 3) Rep. Dan Burton (R-IN), concerning the President's upcoming meeting with Zhu Rongji, Premier of the People's Republic of China, and alleged illegal campaign contributions originating from China;
- 4) Rep. Howard L. Berman (D-CA) and seven other Members of Congress, concerning the proposed merger of the information and exchanges bureaus of the United States Information Agency (USIA);
- 5) Rep. James E. Clyburn (D-SC) and thirty-seven Members of the Congressional Black Caucus, concerning the current status of the peace process in Sierra Leone;
- 6) Rep. Philip M. Crane (R-IL) and Rep. Sander M. Levin (D-MI), concerning the possible accession of the People's Republic of China to the World Trade Organization;

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- 7) Rep. Joseph R. Pitts (R-PA) and twenty other Members of Congress, recommending the deployment of a National Missile Defense system;
- 8) Rep. Christopher H. Smith (R-NJ) and thirty-three other Members of Congress, concerning the possible accession of the People's Republic of China to the World Trade Organization;
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Enclosures

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

April 15, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER
LARRY STEIN

THROUGH: GAYLE E. SMITH *GS*
FROM: ERICA BARKS-RUGGLES *ER*
SUBJECT: Response to a Letter to the President from the
CBC

The Congressional Black Caucus wrote to the President on March 24 urging him to appoint a Special Envoy for Sierra Leone. We and the State Department -- including Under Secretary Pickering -- are opposed to such an appointment as we believe that a Special Envoy is unnecessary and would be redundant to the work being done by Reverend Jackson, Ambassador Melrose, and Special Envoy for Liberia Jeter. Leaders in the region have also been critical of our over-use of Special Envoys, and during the U.S.-Africa Ministerial stressed the need for continuous on-the-ground support, rather than more Special Envoys, to help resolve conflicts.

Attached is a memorandum from you to the President recommending a negative response to the CBC's request and underscoring to them the need for more financial resources to support our existing efforts rather than additional envoys.

Concurrence by: Mark Taft *MT* *CK* *VM*
Valerie Guarnieri,
Caroline Krass

RECOMMENDATION

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John Harman
NSC Exec Sec

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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The Honorable James E. Clyburn
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

MEMORANDUM FOR: WH STRIPPING DESK

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SOURCE: PRESIDENT

DATE: 30 APR 99

SUBJ: RESPONSE TO LTR TO PRES FM CBC RE APPT OF SPECIAL ENVOY FOR SIERRA
LEONE

REQUIRED ACTION: FOR DISPATCH

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COMMENT:

FOR



JOHN W. FICKLIN

NSC RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICE